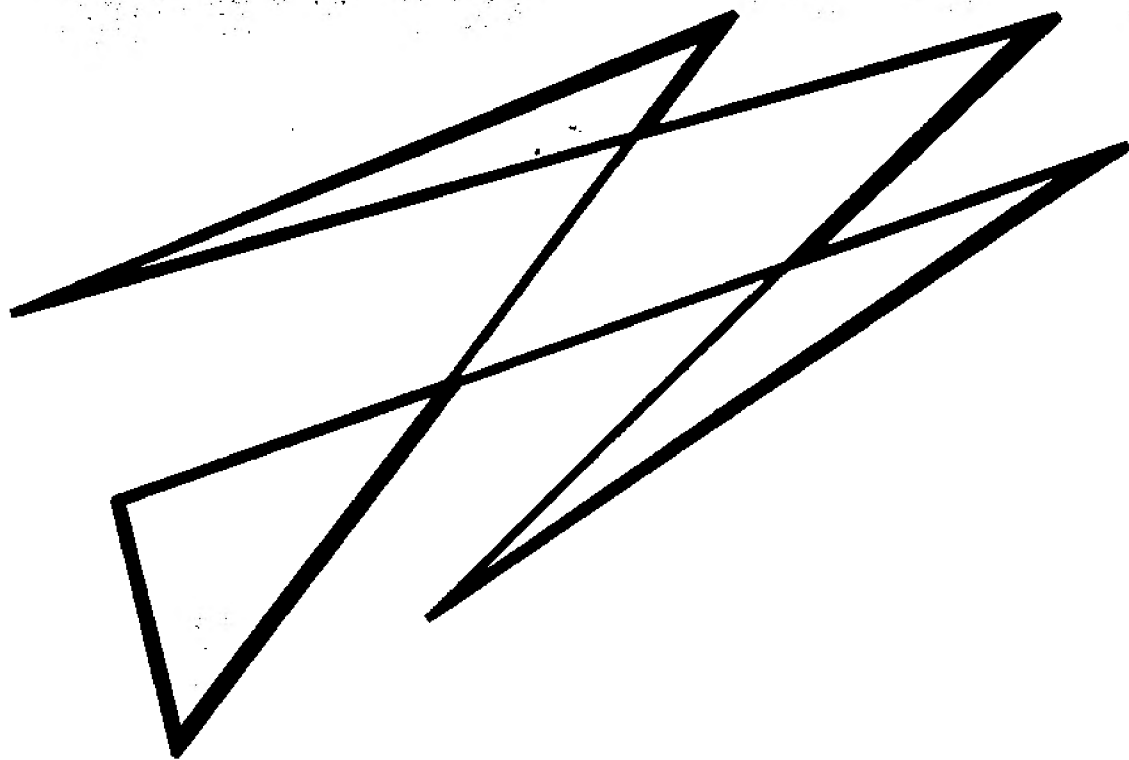




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## PREFACE

*South Australian Economic Indicators* is a monthly publication which contains the latest available data at the time of preparation for a range of statistical series that have been identified as indicators of economic activity in this State. In a number of cases the figures presented are preliminary and subject to revision in subsequent issues.

Written and graphic commentary have been included for many of the selected series and analysis has been augmented with the calculation of the percentage change from the previous reference period together with the presentation of comparative Australian data. For the first time the Review Section in this issue includes information on movements in the Composite Leading Indicator and survey data on business expectations.

Time series information has been included to provide a historical perspective on many of the selected indicators; this issue introduces new series on State Account aggregates measured in both current and constant prices. Future issues may be expanded to include further historical data in response to expressed user needs. This product is under continuous review and any suggestions for enhancement will be welcomed.

More detailed information on each series, including explanatory and technical notes, can be obtained from other Australian Bureau of Statistics publications or alternative data sources. To assist those seeking further information a source publication for each of the series has been documented in the statistical summary.

This issue includes a special article entitled *Indicative Planning Council Forecasts of Housing Prospects*. Future issues will contain further articles on statistical topics which concentrate on longer term trends or other issues pertinent to the South Australian economy.

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# REVIEW

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## Overview

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- The underlying trend estimate of employed persons in South Australia has been increasing during 1995 with the April 1995 estimate being 2.0% above the level of 12 months ago. The trend unemployment rate has remained steady from February 1995.
- The March 1995 retail trade sales estimate was 0.5% above the February figure while the Australian estimate rose by 0.2%.
- The provisional trend estimate for new motor vehicle registrations in March 1995 was 1.0% higher than the February estimate. The past fifteen months has seen a steady increase in this series despite some flattening between June and August 1994.
- The March quarter 1995 all groups Consumer Price Index for Adelaide increased by 1.6% from the December 1994 quarter, resulting in an annual increase of 3.7%. Higher mortgage interest charges and the price of fresh vegetables were important factors contributing to the rise.
- The March 1995 trend estimate series for total dwelling units approved in South Australia exhibited a decrease for the eighth consecutive month following its peak in July 1994.
- The value of overseas exports of South Australian produced commodities in March 1995 was 58.9% higher than the February 1995 figure but 0.6% lower than in March 1994.
- The South Australian Gross State Product (GSP) trend estimate for the December quarter 1994 was 0.1% below the December quarter 1993 estimate while the national average increased by 4.7% over this period.

## State Accounts

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### *Gross State Product (GSP)*

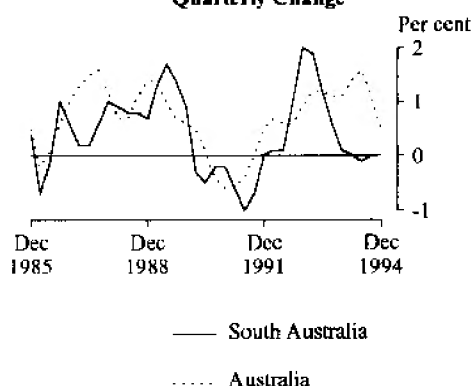
Gross State Product (GSP), trend estimates in 1989-90 prices, showed no growth (0.0%) in the December quarter 1994. This was well below the national average of 0.5%, and the lowest of all States and Territories. The December quarter 1994 GSP fell 0.1% from the December quarter 1993 (the national average was an increase of 4.7%).

As South Australia exports a significant proportion of its State production interstate and overseas, the growth in GSP in constant prices can be influenced significantly by differing factors affecting the implicit price deflator and the production price deflator. For example, the State Final Demand deflator increased only slightly by 1.1% for the twelve months ended December 1994 while the GSP deflator increased strongly by 5.0%, reflecting the growth in prices of a number of goods from the rural, mining and manufacturing sectors which are exported from South Australia and include cereals, non-ferrous metals and motor vehicles.

Expressed in current prices, GSP (trend) increased 0.9% (national average 1.3%) to be 4.9% higher than December 1993. The most significant contribution to the growth of GSP in December was a 2.1% increase in Gross Operating Surplus (GOS), the highest increase of all mainland States.



**GROSS STATE PRODUCT - TREND**  
(CONSTANT PRICES)  
Quarterly Change

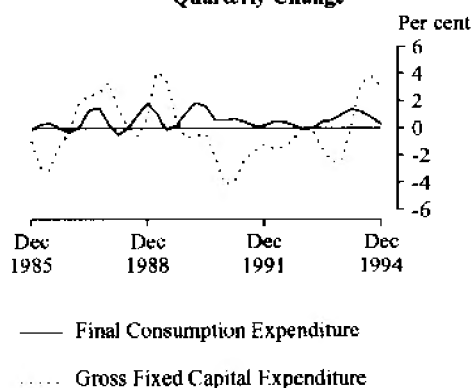


### State Final Demand

The December quarter 1994 growth of 0.7% in State Final Demand (SFD) (trend in 1989-90 prices) was below the national average of 0.9% and represents a slowdown from the growth experienced in the earlier part of the year.

Private expenditure contributed all of the growth, with government consumption expenditure and public capital expenditure each down 1.6% from the previous quarter. Private gross fixed capital expenditure grew by 16% over the year mainly because of a 43.9% increase in capital expenditure on equipment.

**STATE FINAL DEMAND - TREND**  
(CONSTANT PRICES)  
Quarterly Change



## International Accounts

### Exports

Overseas exports of South Australian produced commodities were valued at \$381.4 million in March 1995. This was 58.9% higher than the February 1995 figure but 0.6% lower than in March 1994.

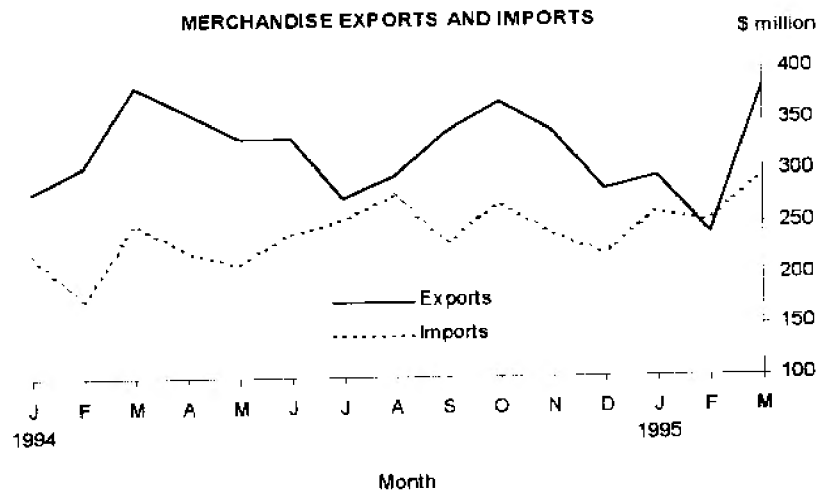
In the nine months to March 1995 exports of metals and metal manufactures accounted for 14.3% of exports followed by road vehicles, parts and accessories (8.6%) and wool and sheepskins (8.2%).

Japan remains the major market for South Australian goods, accounting for 17.1% of total exports during the first nine months of 1994-95, followed by ASEAN countries (14.2%) and New Zealand (10.1%). For the corresponding period of 1993-94 the percentages were 16.5, 13.6 and 8.2 respectively.

## Imports

The value of overseas imports into South Australia (compiled from import documents lodged in South Australia) amounted to \$296.1 million in March 1995. This was 17.7% above both February 1995 and March 1994.

In the nine months to March 1995 road vehicles, parts and accessories accounted for 24.6% of imports with machinery constituting 22.9% and petroleum and petroleum products 11.1%.

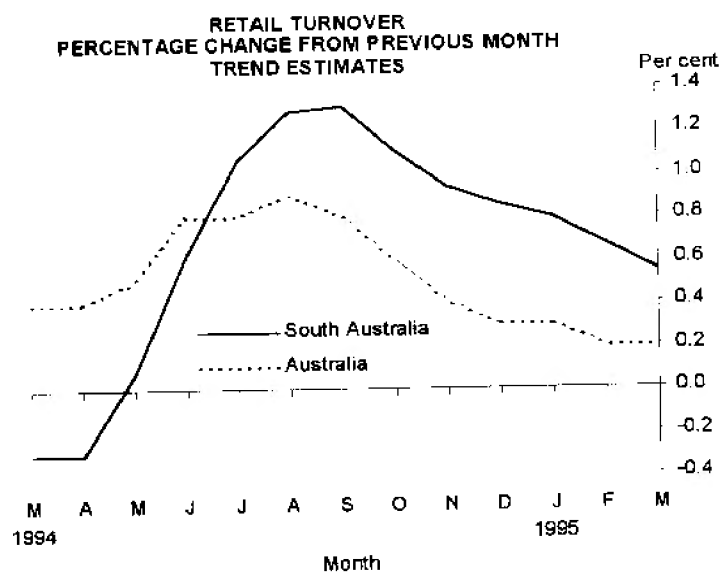


## Consumption and Investment

### Retail Turnover

The March 1995 retail trade trend estimate was 0.5% above the February figure while the Australian estimate rose by 0.2%. After a period of strong growth in the latter part of 1994, the trend growth rate has eased to 0.5% in March 1995. In seasonally adjusted terms retail trade in March 1995 fell by 2.0% from February 1995 despite the increase in turnover of 8.7% recorded by department stores. The retail turnover estimate in original terms for March 1995 was \$722.3 million, an increase of 12.9% from February 1995 and 8.6% from March 1994.

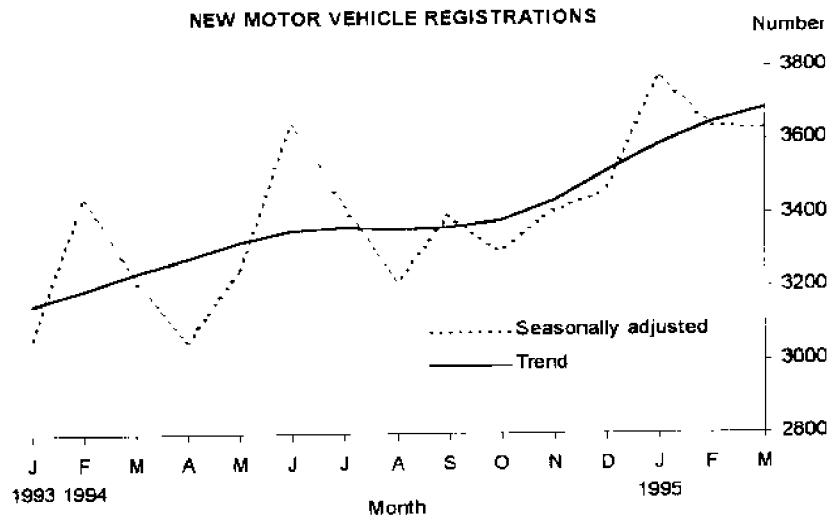
The trend estimate of retail turnover at constant (average 1989-90) prices for the March quarter was \$1,859.7 million, an increase of 6.8% from the March 1994 quarter.



### New Motor Vehicle Registrations

The provisional trend estimate for new motor vehicle registrations in March 1995 was 1.0% higher than the February estimate. The past fifteen months has seen a steady increase in the series despite some flattening between June and August 1994. The seasonally adjusted estimate for March 1995 was 0.1% lower than the February 1995 figure but 12.7% higher than March

In original terms there were 4,026 new motor vehicles registered in March 1995, an increase of 19.7% on February 1995 and 10.5% more than March 1994. For new passenger vehicles only, the leading makes registered in March 1995 were Ford (761 vehicles), Holden (678), Mitsubishi (555), Toyota (529) and Hyundai (132).



### Tourist Accommodation

When the December quarter 1994 is compared with the December quarter 1993, the number of bed spaces available in visitor hostels increased by 1.9% to 2,075. Guest nights rose by 2.2% from 59,296 to 60,628 and the bed occupancy rate increased from 31.6% to 32.0%. Guest arrivals rose by 3.5% from 27,628 to 28,587 and the average length of stay was steady at 2.1 days. Accommodation takings fell by 2.5% from \$0.64m to \$0.62m with average takings per guest night falling from \$11 to \$10.

### Private New Capital Expenditure

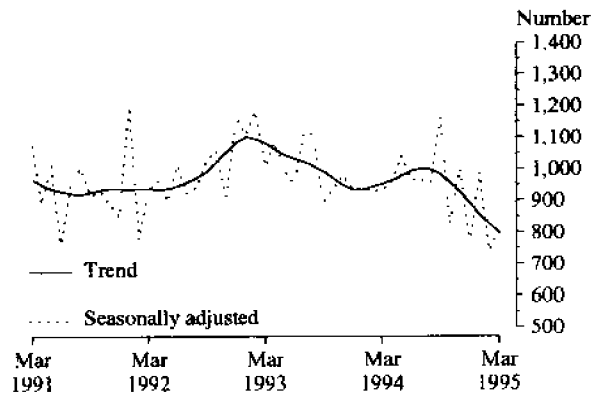
The trend estimates (in seasonally adjusted current price terms) for private new capital expenditure in South Australia for the December quarter 1994 was \$568 million. The rise of 13.4% in the December quarter following rises of 19.0%, 14.4% and 4.8% for the September, June and March quarters respectively is an indicator of strong growth. Private new capital expenditure in original terms was \$636 million an increase of 33.7% from the September quarter. Buildings and structures accounted for \$79 million and equipment, and plant and machinery \$557 million.

## Production

### Dwelling Approvals

The March 1995 trend estimate series for total dwelling units approved in South Australia decreased for the eighth consecutive month since its peak in July 1994. This amounted to an overall decrease over the period of 20.4%. The comparative Australian trend series showed a 24.1% downturn from the August 1994 peak of 16,836 to 12,775 in March 1995.

## DWELLING UNITS APPROVED

***Dwelling Commencements***

From the Building Activity Survey, an estimated 2,827 dwelling units were commenced in South Australia during the December quarter 1994, a decrease of 8.3% from the previous quarter compared with a corresponding decrease of 7.5% nationally. The latest figure for South Australia represents a 1.0% increase in the number of dwelling units over the December quarter 1993 and this compares with a 2.8% increase nationally.

***Value of Non-residential Building Approvals***

The South Australian proportion of total Australia's non-residential approvals was 10.6% in March 1995. The value of non-residential building approved in South Australia in March 1995 was \$78.1 million which is the highest value approved since March 1992. This amount is dominated by one project in the public sector which is valued at \$48.0 million and is classified as offices. Non-residential building approvals for Australia were valued at \$736.5 million, a decrease of 18.7% from the previous month.

***Value of Total Building Activity***

The total value of *building work commenced* during the December quarter 1994 was down \$22.8 million or 6.1% from the previous quarter to \$348.9 million. A fall in private sector commencements, including a fall of \$12.8 million for new residential building and \$5.7 million for non-residential building accounted for most of the decrease. Building commencements in South Australia comprised 4.9% of the national total in the December quarter.

The total value of *building work done* during the December quarter 1994 was \$382.1 million, virtually unchanged from the previous quarter. Work done in both the residential and non-residential categories were also virtually unchanged. This compares with a national increase in total work done for the December quarter of 4.4%.

*Building work yet to be done* was valued at \$309.4 million at the end of December 1994, a fall of 6.9% from the previous quarter and the tenth successive quarterly fall. Compared with a year earlier, work yet to be done was down 10.6% in South Australia but up 10.3% nationally. Following these movements work yet to be done in South Australia comprised only 3.5% of the national figure for the December quarter 1994.

***Value of Engineering Construction***

In the December quarter 1994, engineering construction work done in South Australia rose 7.9% to \$169.2 million with the industry categories of roads, highways and subdivisions, and telecommunications being the main contributors to the increase. However, this was still 9.9% below the level of a year earlier. For Australia the December quarter 1994 figure was 5.3% up from the previous quarter and 4.7% up from a year earlier.

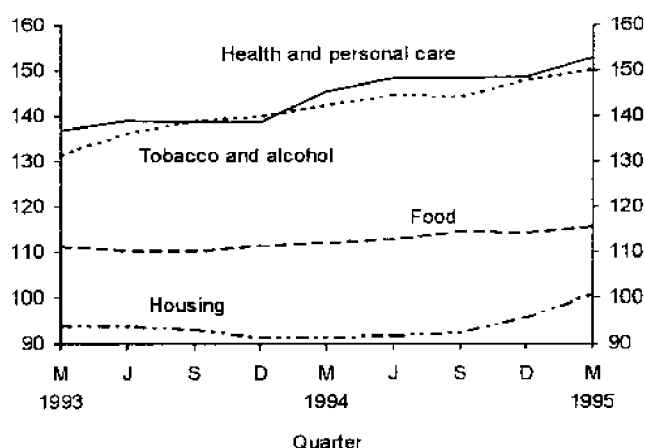
## Prices

### Consumer Price Index

In the March quarter 1995 the all groups Consumer Price Index increased by 1.7% nationally and this contributed to an annual increase of 3.9%. The quarterly and annual movements for Adelaide were marginally lower than the national figures at 1.6% and 3.7% respectively.

The above increases were mainly attributable to higher mortgage interest charges and the prices of fresh vegetables. Additionally, the prices of petrol, cigarettes and tobacco and consumer credit charges increased significantly.

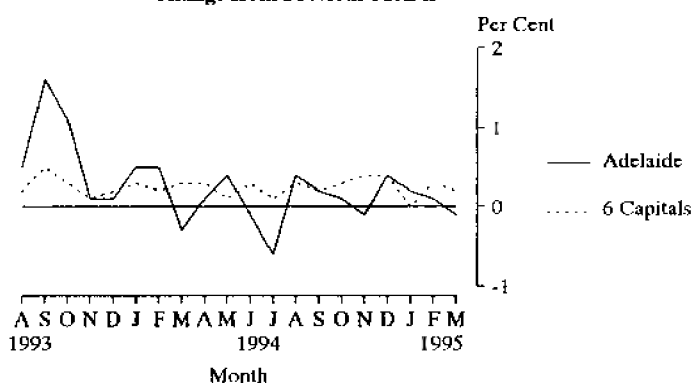
CPI - GROUP INDEXES



### House Building Materials

Brisbane and Adelaide were the only two cities to record price falls in house building materials for the month of March at 0.2% and 0.1% respectively. Hobart (0.5%) recorded the largest rise for the month followed by Perth at 0.4% rise. The weighted average of the six State Capitals showed a rise of 0.2% for the month. Adelaide experienced the lowest price rise of all capitals for the past twelve months (1.0%). Other capital city rises over the past twelve months were: Sydney, 3.7%; Melbourne, 3.2%; Brisbane, 2.4%; Perth, 3.4%; Hobart, 4.5%; and Canberra (1.7%).

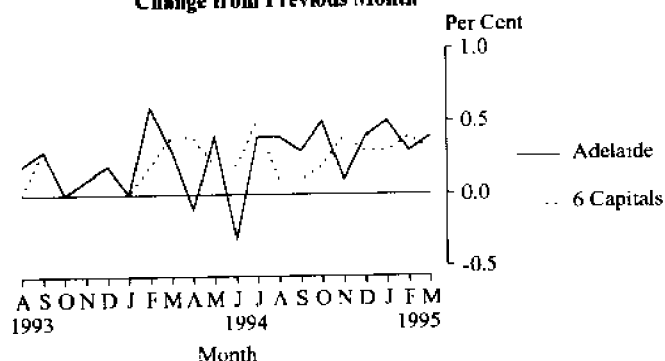
MATERIALS USED IN HOUSE BUILDING  
Change from Previous Month



### Non-house Building Materials

Adelaide recorded a rise of 0.4% in building materials other than for house building for the month of March 1995. This was slightly higher than the weighted average of the six State Capitals of 0.3%. Perth (0.8%) experienced the greatest increase and Sydney (0.1%) the lowest for the month. Rises in all capitals for the past twelve months were: Sydney, 3.5%; Melbourne, 2.4%; Brisbane, 3.4%; Adelaide, 3.1%; Perth, 3.7%; Hobart, 3.6%; and Canberra, 2.6%.

### MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING OTHER THAN HOUSE BUILDING Change from Previous Month



#### House Prices

Nationally, between the September and December quarters 1994, established house prices decreased by 0.4% while project home prices increased by 0.8%. Over the same period prices of established houses in Adelaide fell by 2.2% while the prices of project homes rose by 0.6%.

On an annual basis the December quarter 1994 prices for established houses rose by 3.4% nationally while the increase for project homes was 2.8%. At 3.0%, the annual increase for established houses in Adelaide was below the national figure but the rise in prices of project houses in Adelaide (3.7%) was well above the national increase.

## Labour Force and Demography

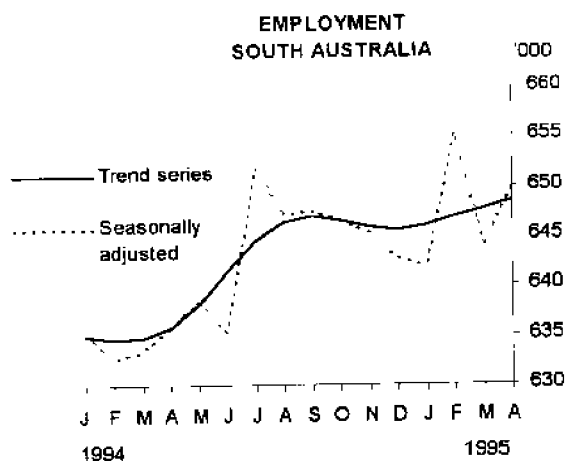
#### Population

The estimated resident population of South Australia increased by 1,171 persons (0.1%) during the September quarter 1994 to 1,470,955. For the twelve months ended 30 September 1994 the growth rate for South Australia was 0.4%, well below the national average of 1.1%.

#### Employment

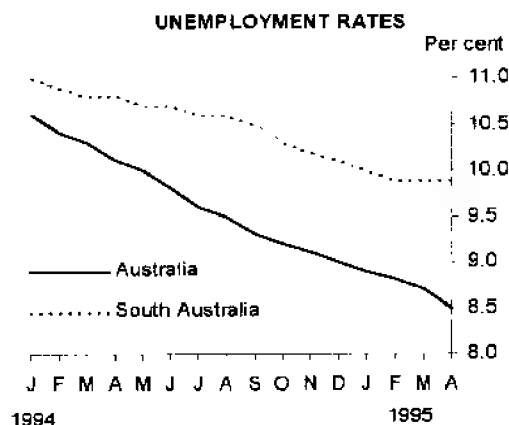
The underlying trend estimate of employed persons in South Australia has been increasing during 1995, reversing the general decline evident in the last three months of 1994. The April 1995 estimate (648,500) was 2.0% higher than the level of 12 months ago.

The underlying trend estimate of employed persons in Australia has been increasing since February 1993, reaching 8,199,900 in April 1995. Over the past 12 months, full-time and part-time employment have increased by 3.5% and 7.5% respectively.



## Unemployment

The provisional trend unemployment rate for South Australia has remained at 9.9% from February 1995, following a general downward movement evident in the previous 12 months. Between April 1994 and April 1995, the trend unemployment rate for males decreased by 0.7 percentage points to 10.6%, while the rate for females decreased from 10.0% to 8.9%.



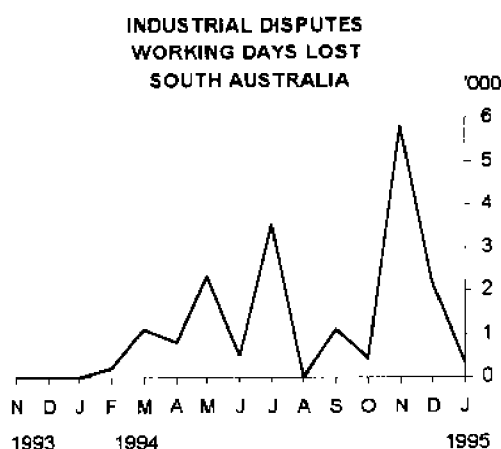
## Overtime

The proportion of employees who worked overtime in South Australia in February 1995 was 16.3% compared with 16.8% in February 1994.

## Industrial Disputes

There were 278 working days lost through industrial disputes in South Australia during January 1995. At 2.3% of the Australian total (12,290 working days), South Australia had the lowest level of disputation of all the States.

In the twelve months to January 1995, 18,300 working days were lost through industrial disputation in South Australia.



## Short-term Overseas Visitors Arrivals

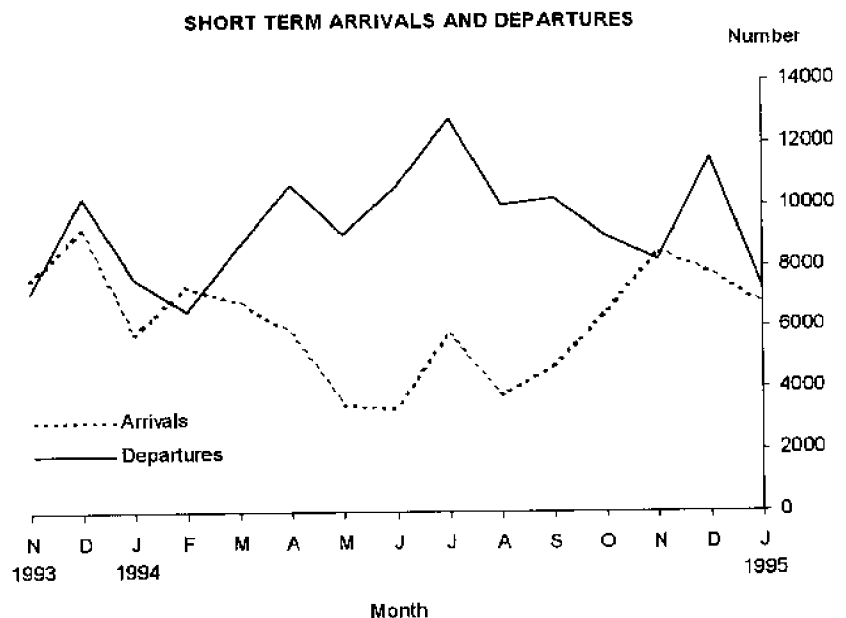
Short-term visitor arrivals to South Australia in January 1995 fell by 13.9% from December 1994 to 6,749. However, this was 16.9% higher than the January 1994 total.

The January 1995 figure for Australia showed a decrease of 20.9% from December 1994 to 303,759 but was 21.3% higher than January 1994. The trend estimate for arrivals of overseas visitors in January 1995 increased 0.6% from December 1994.

## Short-term Resident Departures

South Australian short-term resident departures for January 1995 totalled 7,299. This number was 36.7% lower than in December 1994 and 4.0% below January 1994.

Short-term departures from Australia decreased from December 1994 to January 1995 by 37.2% to 166,074, but were 10.8% higher than in January 1994. The trend estimate for Australian residents departing during January 1995 increased 1.4% compared with December 1994.



## Incomes

### Average Weekly Earnings

Average weekly ordinary time earnings of full-time adult employees in South Australia increased from \$598.60 in November 1994 to \$619.90 in February 1995. Male full-time ordinary time earnings rose from \$619.10 in November 1994 to \$648.40 in February 1995. Over the same period, the comparable level for females rose from \$558.00 to \$560.80.

Average weekly total earnings of all employees in South Australia were \$527.90 in February 1995, up from \$505.10 in November 1994.

Since it is an average of earnings across all employees, changes in average weekly earnings may occur through changes in employment as well as changes in pay levels.

### Award Rates of Pay

Over the 12 months to March 1995, the weekly award rates of pay index for full-time employees in South Australia increased by 0.7%.

For full-time adult male employees, the largest annual movement of the index occurred in the recreation, personal and other services industry (an increase of 1.1% since March 1994).

For full-time adult female employees, the largest annual movement of the index occurred in community services and recreation, personal and other services (an increase of 0.8% since March 1994).

## Financial Markets

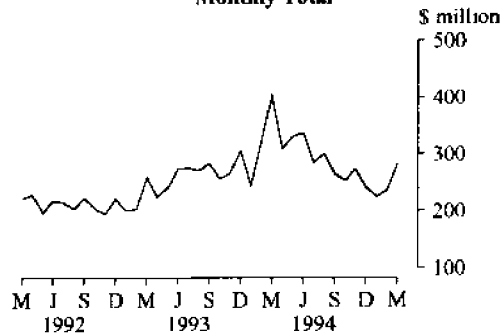
### Housing Finance

Total housing finance commitments for owner occupied dwellings increased by \$45.8 million (19.4%) to \$282.2 million during March 1995. This was the second monthly increase following the downward trend evident since the peak of \$404.5 million in March 1994.

The main component, financing commitments for the purchase of established dwellings was up significantly by \$23.2 million (15.1%) to \$176.5 million which was well below the equivalent month in 1994. Financing commitments for construction of dwellings also rose strongly by \$3.7 million (12.2%) to \$34.3 million. Purchase of newly erected dwellings recovered \$6.2 million (76.8%) to \$14.4 million from the low February figure.



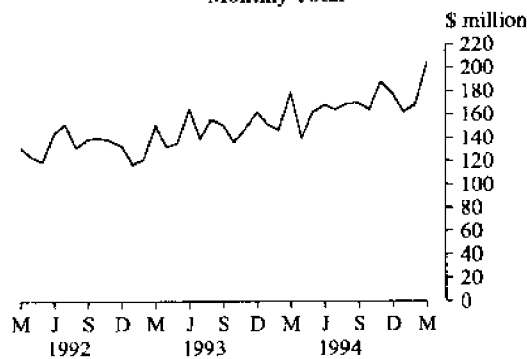
**SECURED HOUSING FINANCE COMMITMENTS  
TO INDIVIDUALS  
(ALL LENDERS)  
Monthly Total**



*Personal Finance*

Personal finance commitments rose markedly in March by \$36.8 million (21.9%) to a record \$204.9 million. The main category, sales of used motor vehicles and station wagons under fixed loan commitments, increased by \$8.2 million (23.3%) to a record \$43.7 million from the revised February figure of \$35.4 million. A large rise in the financing of new motor vehicle and station wagon sales also occurred with an increase of \$2.5 million (16.7%) to \$17.3 million.

**PERSONAL FINANCE COMMITMENTS  
(ALL LENDERS)  
Monthly Total**



Total personal finance commitments under fixed loan commitments increased significantly by \$24.2 million (20.8%) to a record \$140.5 million in March 1995. Total personal finance commitments under revolving credit commitments reached a four-year peak of \$64.3 million, up \$12.6 million (24.4%).

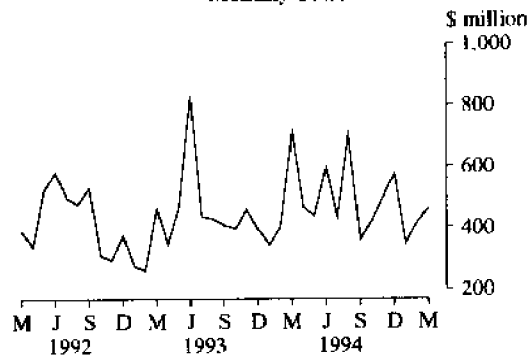
*Commercial Finance*

Total commercial finance commitments rose in March 1995 by \$53.8 million (13.1%) to \$464.8 million. However, this total was well below the March 1994 figure of \$709.5 million. A notable increase was recorded for commitments under fixed loan facilities and a very small fall for commercial finance commitments under revolving credit facilities.

Commercial finance commitments under fixed loan facilities increased by \$54.9 million (25.9%) to \$266.8 million. Both the February and March 1995 figures are well below the corresponding months of 1994. The categories of wholesale trade, retail trade, community services and construction all had marked increases during the month with wholesale trade up by \$10.3 million (60.5%).

Commitments under revolving credit facilities fell by \$1.0 million (0.5%) to \$198.0 million, around one-half of the March 1994 figure. Manufacturing and retail trade had notable falls in the month with manufacturing falling by \$15.4 million (25.1%).

**COMMERCIAL FINANCE COMMITMENTS  
(SOUTH AUSTRALIA)  
Monthly Total**



### Lease Finance

The value of goods under new finance lease commitments increased tentatively in March 1995 following the downward trend from the peak of \$36.1 million in June 1994. In March new finance lease commitments totalled \$20.8 million an increase of \$3.4 million (19.9%).

Lease commitments for new motor vehicles and station wagons not subject to depreciation, the largest category, increased by \$1.4 million (27.0%) to \$6.8 million. New motor vehicles subject to depreciation fell for the third consecutive month, down \$0.5 million (38.6%) to \$0.8 million. Total motor vehicles under new finance lease commitments increased by \$1.9 million (16.6%) to \$13.5 million.

The main fall in goods under new finance lease commitments was for electronic data processing equipment down \$0.7 million (43.6%) in March to \$0.9 million. Manufacturing equipment increased by \$1.0 million to \$1.5 million.

## Forward Outlook

### Composite Leading Indicator

The Composite Leading Indicator (CLI) is a single time series produced by aggregating eight individual economic indicators and has been developed by the ABS as an experimental series to supplement existing forms of economic analysis and modelling.

The CLI summarises the early signals contained in a selection of economic indicators and is designed to help in the detection of turning points between successive expansions and contractions of economic activity but does not attempt to forecast the level of economic activity.

The main features of the December quarter 1994 data were:

- a continuing sturdy rate of historical long-term growth in real GDP(A). Historical long-term growth has reached 0.9% a quarter, a rate last recorded in the March quarter 1989 and reflecting the strengthening economic activity observed during the past three years; and
- a small downward movement in the CLI for the second consecutive quarter suggested some acceleration in activity back toward the historical long-term trend growth by the June quarter 1995.

The quarterly data are released in more detail in the *Australian Economic Indicators* (1350.0). The CLI was the topic of the Focus article in the September 1993 edition of *South Australian Economic Indicators* (1307.4).

## Australian Business Expectations

Surveys of business expectations have been a feature of the economic intelligence available to decision makers for a number of years. The main output from these surveys has been a qualitative indicator which provides the net proportion of businesses predicting a rise or fall in future business conditions. Further details about these surveys which are conducted quarterly by the ABS are available in *Australian Business Expectations* (1250.0), the September 1994 edition of *Australian Economic Indicators* (1350.0) and the May 1994 edition of *South Australian Economic Indicators* (1307.4).

### AUSTRALIAN BUSINESS EXPECTATIONS SOUTH AUSTRALIA AND AUSTRALIA SALES OF GOODS AND SERVICES EXPECTED PERCENTAGE AGGREGATE CHANGE FROM

| Reference Period  | Short term(a)   |           | Medium term(b)  |           |
|-------------------|-----------------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|
|                   | South Australia | Australia | South Australia | Australia |
| 1993              |                 |           |                 |           |
| December quarter  | -0.9            | -1.4      | 5.9             | 3.1       |
| 1994              |                 |           |                 |           |
| March quarter     | 2.2             | 2.3       | 1.8             | 4.1       |
| June quarter      | 2.0             | 1.9       | 3.1             | 3.9       |
| September quarter | 2.0             | 1.9       | 4.1             | 3.3       |
| December quarter  | 4.5             | 2.3       | 3.2             | 4.1       |
| 1995              |                 |           |                 |           |
| March quarter     | -0.1            | -0.5      | 2.8             | 3.3       |
| 1995              |                 |           |                 |           |
| March quarter     | 1.8             | 1.4       | 1.1             | 3.0       |

(a) Short term is the following quarter. (b) Medium term is the same quarter in the following year.

#### Short term

Businesses in South Australia expected a rise of 1.8% in sales in the June quarter compared with the March quarter 1995 while the national expectation was a 1.4% increase.

#### Medium term

Businesses in South Australia expected a lower growth in sales (1.1%) than the national expectation of 3.0% for the March quarter 1996 compared with the March quarter 1995.

## Expected Private New Capital Expenditure

In the December quarter 1994 Survey of Private New Capital Expenditure businesses provided details of actual expenditure for the December quarter 1994, expectations of new capital expenditure for the 6 months to June 1995 and expectations for the 1995-96 financial year.

### ACTUAL AND EXPECTED PRIVATE NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

| Period          | South Australia | Australia | SA as % of Australia |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------|----------------------|
| <i>Actual</i>   |                 |           |                      |
| 1992-93         | 1,522           | 25,847    | 5.9                  |
| 1993-94         | 1,491           | 28,758    | 5.2                  |
| <i>Expected</i> |                 |           |                      |
| 1994-95(a)      | 1,953           | 34,234    | 5.7                  |
| 1995-96         | 1,439           | 26,347    | 5.5                  |

(a) Includes actual expenditure to December 1994.

Assuming that business expectations are fully realised in 1994-95 this will result in an increase in 1994-95 new capital expenditure in South Australia of 31% compared with 1993-94 (19% for Australia). However, if business expectations are adjusted by the latest realisation factor then the South Australian increase will fall to 21% and the Australian increase to 18%.

The possible percentage change in actual expenditure in 1995-96 compared with 1994-95 after adjusting the latest expectations for both years using relevant 1993-94 realisation ratios are a decrease of 12% for South Australia and 1% increase for Australia. Users should be aware that State realisation patterns are volatile and caution should be used in interpreting the results.

Further details about the survey are included in *State Estimates of Private New Capital Expenditure* (5646.0).

# STATISTICAL SUMMARY

| Indicator   |           | Reference period    | SOUTH AUSTRALIA |                            |                                | AUSTRALIA |                            |                                | SA as a % of Australia | Source index |
|---|-----------|---------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|--------------|
|   |           |                     | No.             | % change                   |                                | No.       | % change                   |                                |                        |              |
|   |           |                     |                 | Over pre-<br>ceding period | Over same period previous year |           | Over pre-<br>ceding period | Over same period previous year |                        |              |
|   |           |                     |                 |                            |                                |           |                            |                                |                        |              |
| State Accounts  |           |                     |                 |                            |                                |           |                            |                                |                        |              |
| Gross domestic product (I)  |           |                     |                 |                            |                                |           |                            |                                |                        |              |
| Current prices  | \$m       | Dec. qtr 94         | 8,940           | 9.3                        | 4.9                            | 119,316   | 7.5                        | 5.8                            | 7.5                    | 1            |
| 1989-90 prices trend  | \$m       | Dec. qtr 94         | 7,277           | 0.0                        | -0.1                           | 103,378   | 0.5                        | 4.7                            | 7.0                    | 1            |
| Wages, salaries and supplements                                   |           |                     |                 |                            |                                |           |                            |                                |                        |              |
| Current prices trend  | \$m       | Dec. qtr 94         | 4,085           | 0.1                        | 2.6                            | 54,957    | 1.0                        | 5.5                            | 7.4                    | 1            |
| Private final consumption expenditure                             |           |                     |                 |                            |                                |           |                            |                                |                        |              |
| Current prices  | \$m       | Dec. qtr 94         | 5,597           | 7.2                        | 5.3                            | 72,956    | 6.2                        | 5.5                            | 7.7                    | 1            |
| 1989-90 prices trend  | \$m       | Dec. qtr 94         | 4,610           | 0.9                        | 3.5                            | 61,226    | 0.8                        | 4.2                            | 7.5                    | 1            |
| Private gross fixed capital expenditure                           |           |                     |                 |                            |                                |           |                            |                                |                        |              |
| 1989-90 prices trend  | \$m       | Dec. qtr 94         | 1,035           | 4.1                        | 16.0                           | 18,185    | 2.8                        | 16.3                           | 5.7                    | 1            |
| International Accounts  |           |                     |                 |                            |                                |           |                            |                                |                        |              |
| Exports (excluding re-exports)                                    | \$m       | Mar. 95             | 381.4           | 58.9                       | -0.6                           | 5,915.4   | 19.8                       | 9.7                            | 6.4                    | 2            |
| Imports   | \$m       | Mar. 95             | 296.1           | 17.7                       | 17.7                           | 6,766.1   | 21.5                       | 15.7                           | 4.4                    | 2            |
| Consumption and Investment  |           |                     |                 |                            |                                |           |                            |                                |                        |              |
| Retail turnover   |           |                     |                 |                            |                                |           |                            |                                |                        |              |
| Current prices original   | \$m       | Mar. 95             | 722.3           | 12.9                       | 8.6                            | 9,245.8   | 11.6                       | 4.5                            | 7.8                    | 3            |
| Current prices trend  | \$m       | Mar. 95             | 721.2           | 0.5                        | 9.3                            | 9,364.9   | 0.2                        | 6.3                            | 7.7                    | 3            |
| 1989-90 prices original   | \$m       | Mar. qtr 94         | 1,759.9         | -14.6                      | 5.8                            | 23,084.7  | -16.3                      | 4.1                            | 7.6                    | 3            |
| New motor vehicle registrations                                   |           |                     |                 |                            |                                |           |                            |                                |                        |              |
| Original  | No.       | Mar. 95             | 4,026           | 19.7                       | 10.5                           | 57,265    | 16.4                       | 8.7                            | 7.0                    | 4            |
| Trend   | No.       | Mar. 95             | 3,686           | 1.0                        | 13.8                           | 52,495    | -0.8                       | 6.5                            | 7.0                    | 4            |
| Takings, licensed hotels, motels and guest houses with facilities |           |                     |                 |                            |                                |           |                            |                                |                        |              |
|   | \$'000    | Dec. qtr 94         | 41,265          | 18.8                       | 8.3                            | 796,910   | 4.9                        | 12.3                           | 5.2                    | 5            |
| Private new capital expenditure                                   | \$m       | Dec. qtr 94         | 636             | 33.7                       | 81.0                           | 9,317     | 17.4                       | 21.2                           | 6.8                    | 6            |
| Private new capital expenditure                                   | \$m       | 1993-94             | 1,491           | ..                         | -2.0                           | 28,758    | ..                         | 11.3                           | 5.2                    | 6            |
| Expected private new capital expenditure                          | \$m       | 6 Months to June 95 | 842             | ..                         | -2.0                           | 16,983    | ..                         | 22.3                           | 5.0                    | 6            |
| Expected private new capital expenditure                          | \$m       | 1994-95             | 1,953           | ..                         | 27.7                           | 34,234    | ..                         | 24.4                           | 5.7                    | 6            |
| Production  |           |                     |                 |                            |                                |           |                            |                                |                        |              |
| Dwelling unit approvals   |           |                     |                 |                            |                                |           |                            |                                |                        |              |
| Original  | No.       | Mar. 95             | 913             | 34.5                       | -11.9                          | 13,501    | 10.4                       | -20.6                          | 6.8                    | 7            |
| Trend   | No.       | Mar. 95             | 797             | -3.4                       | -16.4                          | 12,775    | -3.2                       | -19.6                          | 6.2                    | 7            |
| Dwelling unit commencements                                       | No.       | Dec. qtr 94         | 2,827           | -8.3                       | 1.0                            | 45,646    | -7.5                       | 2.8                            | 6.2                    | 8,8a         |
| Value of non-residential building approvals                       | \$m       | Mar. 95             | 78.1            | 191.0                      | 163.6                          | 736.5     | -18.7                      | 23.4                           | 10.6                   | 7            |
| Value of total building activity                                  |           |                     |                 |                            |                                |           |                            |                                |                        |              |
| Commenced   | \$m       | Dec. qtr 94         | 348.9           | -6.1                       | 0.3                            | 7,097.8   | -0.4                       | 5.2                            | 4.9                    | 8            |
| Work done   | \$m       | Dec. qtr 94         | 382.1           | 0.1                        | 0.8                            | 7,552.4   | 4.4                        | 11.3                           | 5.1                    | 8            |
| Work yet to be done   | \$m       | Dec. qtr 94         | 309.4           | -6.9                       | -10.6                          | 8,803.5   | -2.8                       | 10.3                           | 3.5                    | 8            |
| Value of engineering construction work done                       | \$m       | Dec. qtr 94         | 169.2           | 7.9                        | -9.9                           | 3,138.6   | 5.3                        | 4.7                            | 5.4                    | 9            |
| Manufacturing production  |           |                     |                 |                            |                                |           |                            |                                |                        |              |
| Electricity (SA and NT)   | mill. kWh | Feb. 95             | 834             | -0.5                       | 1.7                            | 12,751    | -5.3                       | 1.9                            | 6.5                    | 10           |
| Cheese  | tonnes    | Feb. 95             | 1,781           | -38.7                      | 16.0                           | n.y.a.    | n.y.a.                     | n.y.a.                         | n.y.a.                 | 10           |
| Red meat  | tonnes    | Mar. 95             | 23,849          | 12.5                       | 4.6                            | 214,402   | -2.2                       | -10.0                          | 11.1                   | 11           |
| Mineral exploration expenditure (other than for petroleum)        | \$m       | Dec. qtr 94         | 5.1             | 10.9                       | -20.3                          | 232.3     | 2.7                        | 11.2                           | 2.2                    | 12           |

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|   |                        |                  |                 | Over pre-ceding period | Over same period previous year |           | Over pre-ceding period | Over same period previous year |                        |              |
|   |                        |                  |                 |                        |                                |           |                        |                                |                        |              |
|   |                        |                  |                 |                        |                                |           |                        |                                |                        |              |
| <b>Prices</b>   |                        |                  |                 |                        |                                |           |                        |                                |                        |              |
| CPI - All groups  | 1989-90=100            | Mar. qtr 94      | 117.8           | 1.6                    | 3.7                            | 114.7     | 1.7                    | 3.9                            | ..                     | 13           |
| Price index of materials used in house building                     | 1985-86=100            | Mar. 95          | 154.8           | -0.1                   | 1.0                            | 157.8     | 0.2                    | 3.1                            | ..                     | 14           |
| Price index of materials used in building other than house building | 1989-90=100            | Mar. 95          | 112.1           | 0.4                    | 3.1                            | 111.2     | 0.3                    | 3.2                            | ..                     | 15           |
| Established house price index                                       | 1989-90=100            | Dec. qtr 94      | 110.8           | -2.2                   | 3.0                            | 112.1     | -0.4                   | 3.4                            | ..                     | 16           |
| Price index of project homes  | 1989-90=100            | Dec. qtr 94      | 115.0           | 0.6                    | 3.7                            | 108.3     | 0.8                    | 2.8                            | ..                     | 16           |
| <b>Labour Force and Demography</b>                                  |                        |                  |                 |                        |                                |           |                        |                                |                        |              |
| Population (resident at end of qtr)                                 | '000                   | Sept. qtr 94     | 1,471.0         | 0.1                    | 0.4                            | 17,896.7  | 0.3                    | 1.1                            | 8.2                    | 17           |
| Labour force  |                        |                  |                 |                        |                                |           |                        |                                |                        |              |
| Original  | '000                   | Apr. 95          | 721.7           | 0.0                    | 1.9                            | 8,973.7   | -0.1                   | 2.9                            | 8.0                    | 18           |
| Trend   | '000                   | Apr. 95          | 719.7           | 0.1                    | 1.0                            | 8,965.5   | 0.2                    | 2.7                            | 8.0                    | 18           |
| Employed persons  |                        |                  |                 |                        |                                |           |                        |                                |                        |              |
| Original  | '000                   | Apr. 95          | 650.3           | 0.4                    | 2.2                            | 8,230.6   | 0.8                    | 5.0                            | 7.9                    | 18           |
| Trend   | '000                   | Apr. 95          | 648.5           | 0.1                    | 2.0                            | 8,199.9   | 0.4                    | 4.5                            | 7.9                    | 18           |
| Participation rate  |                        |                  |                 |                        |                                |           |                        |                                |                        |              |
| Original (a)  | %                      | Apr. 95          | 61.7            | 0.0                    | 0.9                            | 63.7      | -0.1                   | 1.0                            | ..                     | 18           |
| Trend (a)   | %                      | Apr. 95          | 61.5            | 0.0                    | 0.3                            | 63.6      | 0.0                    | 0.8                            | ..                     | 18           |
| Unemployment rate   |                        |                  |                 |                        |                                |           |                        |                                |                        |              |
| Original (a)  | %                      | Apr. 95          | 9.9             | -0.4                   | -0.3                           | 8.3       | -0.8                   | -1.8                           | ..                     | 18           |
| Trend (a)   | %                      | Apr. 95          | 9.9             | 0.0                    | -0.9                           | 8.5       | -0.2                   | -1.6                           | ..                     | 18           |
| Job vacancies   | '000                   | Feb. qtr 95      | 2.5             | -44.4                  | -7.4                           | 61.5      | -3.0                   | 34.6                           | 4.1                    | 19           |
| Average weekly overtime per employee                                | hours                  | Feb. qtr 95      | 1.1             | -6.0                   | 5.8                            | 1.2       | -11.7                  | -1.6                           | ..                     | 19           |
| Industrial disputes   | '000 working days lost | Jan. 95          | 0.3             | -87.6                  | ..                             | 12.3      | -74.9                  | 128.5                          | 2.3                    | 20           |
| Short-term overseas visitors arrivals                               | No.                    | Jan. 95          | 6,749           | -13.9                  | 16.9                           | 303,759   | -20.9                  | 21.3                           | 2.2                    | 21           |
| Short-term resident departures                                      | No.                    | Jan. 95          | 7,299           | -36.7                  | -4.0                           | 166,074   | -37.2                  | 10.8                           | 4.4                    | 21           |
| <b>Incomes</b>  |                        |                  |                 |                        |                                |           |                        |                                |                        |              |
| Average weekly earnings (full-time adults' ordinary time)           | \$                     | Feb. qtr 94      | 619.90          | 3.6                    | 3.8                            | 639.10    | 1.6                    | 4.4                            | ..                     | 22           |
| Award rates of pay index (full-time adults, weekly)                 | June 1985=100          | Mar. 95          | 144.8           | 0.0                    | 0.7                            | 142.4     | 0.1                    | 0.7                            | ..                     | 23           |
| <b>Financial markets</b>  |                        |                  |                 |                        |                                |           |                        |                                |                        |              |
| Secured housing finance   | \$m                    | Mar. 95          | 282.2           | 19.4                   | -30.2                          | 3,919.5   | 15.9                   | -27.1                          | 7.2                    | 24           |
| Finance commitments   |                        |                  |                 |                        |                                |           |                        |                                |                        |              |
| Personal  | \$m                    | Mar. 95          | 204.9           | 21.9                   | 14.6                           | 2,684.9   | 23.3                   | 6.3                            | 7.6                    | 25           |
| Commercial  | \$m                    | Mar. 95          | 464.8           | 13.1                   | -34.5                          | 9,549.5   | 40.9                   | 0.7                            | 4.9                    | 25           |
| Lease   | \$m                    | Mar. 95          | 20.8            | 19.9                   | -15.0                          | 590.7     | 23.8                   | 10.7                           | 3.5                    | 25           |
| Interest rates  |                        |                  |                 |                        |                                |           |                        |                                |                        |              |
| Banks new housing loans (a)   | %                      | Apr. 95          | ..              | ..                     | ..                             | 10.50     | 0.0                    | 1.8                            | ..                     | 26           |
| Small overdraft rate (a)  |                        |                  |                 |                        |                                |           |                        |                                |                        |              |
| Minimum   | %                      | Apr. 95          | ..              | ..                     | ..                             | 10.90     | 0.0                    | 1.7                            | ..                     | 26           |
| Maximum   | %                      | Apr. 95          | ..              | ..                     | ..                             | 11.25     | 0.0                    | 1.8                            | ..                     | 26           |

(a) Change is shown in terms of percentage points.

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## Indicative Planning Council Forecasts of Housing Prospects

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### Introduction

The Indicative Planning Council for the Housing Industry (IPC) is the peak advisory body to the Federal Government, other policy making bodies (e.g. State and Local Governments) and the industry itself on the housing outlook in Australia. The IPC includes representatives from industry associations, practitioners and trade unions, and from Commonwealth, State and Local Government. The National Council is supplemented by Committees in each State and Territory.

### Role of IPC

The role of the Council centres on information collection, dissemination and analysis for advice to governments and industry on housing and urban development issues, industry issues and as a basis for important industry management decisions.

In meeting its charter the IPC produces an annual Housing Prospects Report supplemented by frequent bulletins to update the main short-term forecasts and activity reports. The annual report contains only a brief summary of activity for each State and Territory.

### State IPC Committee

The IPC South Australian Committee has twenty members with a wide range of experience and knowledge in the housing industry. The committee has a number of small sub-committees consisting of people with specialist expertise in building forecasting, building materials, statistics, residential land, building labour and real estate. The Committee produces at least two short-term prospects reports each year. Information shown below has been extracted from the April 1995 IPC SA *Housing Prospects Report* (Vol 1, No. 2).

### Forecasting Sub-committee

A major function of the State IPC is the short-term forecasting of dwelling commencements. These are prepared by a Forecasting Sub-committee comprising several IPC members with experience in economics, statistics, demography, private and public housing, land development and finance. In making its forecasts the Forecasting Sub-committee takes into account the current health of the national and State economies, the contemporary influences in the various sectors of the housing industry, their historical context, monetary and fiscal policies, as well as any other factors that may have an effect on the housing industry in South Australia. The initial forecasts for a financial year are made about two years before and are refined as the forecast period closes. The first forecasts for 1994-95 were made in mid 1993.

### Forecasting Track Record

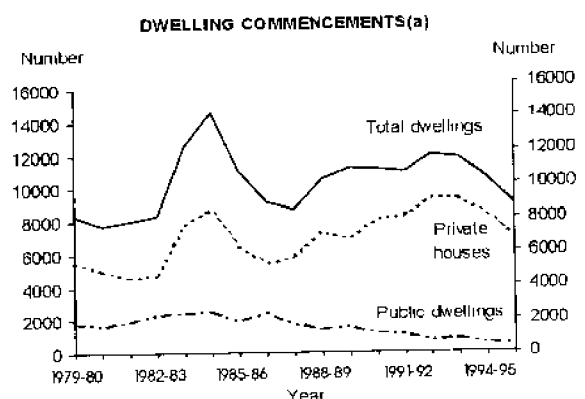
An analysis of the initial forecasts published since 1984-85 for South Australia shows that the performance of the SA IPC Committee has been very good. Useful forecasts must predict the level of the activity, the

movement in activity and the timing of turning points. The IPC two year outlook has correctly signalled the ending of upturns when they occur, subsequent forecasts then give a good indication of the extent of the downturn. In the past the IPC consistently tended towards optimism in underestimating the length and severity of downturns and tended to predict recoveries well in advance of their actual occurrence. There had also been a tendency to underestimate the strength of recoveries. This has been taken into account over the last four to five years and the most recent forecasts for South Australia have predicted accurately the timing and extent of upturns and downturns but with a slightly lower level of activity.

### Recent Building Industry Activity 1994-95

Preliminary Australian Bureau of Statistics data indicate that total dwelling commencements for the first half of 1994-95 amounted to 5,910, 2% fewer than the 6,052 starts for the corresponding period in 1993-94. Of the total, private house starts were 4,709 (down 5%), private 'other' were 809 (up 14%), and public starts were virtually unchanged at 392. The strength of house building activity during the first half of 1994-95 was partly because of homebuyers bringing forward demand to take advantage of, and lock into, the historically low (from 1980) housing interest rates before the foreshadowed increases in late 1994. However, overall building activity in the private house sector has been steadily declining after peaking in the September quarter 1993. The long term decline can be attributed to a number of factors including:

- pent-up demand having largely been met, especially in the first home buyer sector, following the relatively high level of building over the previous six years; and
- low population growth.



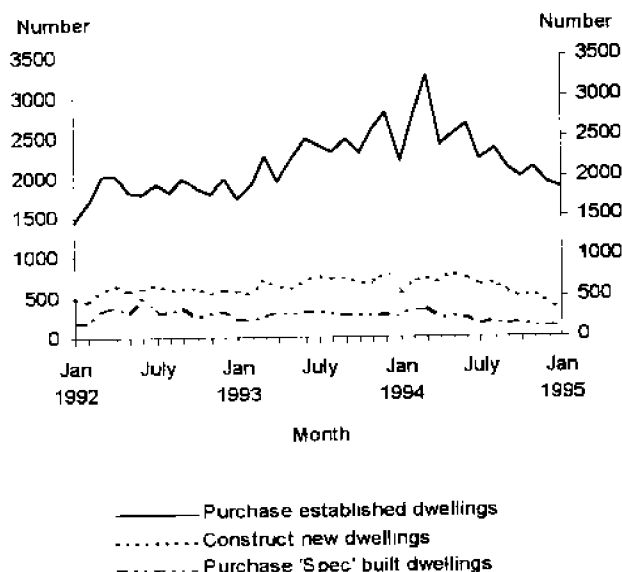
(a) 1994-95 and 1995-96 are IPC forecasts

Private 'other' starts have remained relatively stable over the past three years. Demand was largely from homebuyers purchasing properties in the inner metropolitan areas of the Adelaide Statistical Division (ASD), the retirement unit market, some demand from

investors and some builders building units to maintain production. Until recently, private 'other' faced strong competition from villa and courtyard houses. Public housing starts have declined following funding constraints.

The number of first home buyers entering the housing market in the first half of 1994-95 was 4,976, 5% higher than the 4,720 in the corresponding period of the previous year. Overall, there has been a slow decline over the past three years. It is likely that the increase during the first half of 1994-95 was brought about by improved housing affordability because of low housing interest rates. It is expected that the number of first home buyers entering the market will slowly decline over the forecast period.

HOUSING LOANS FOR OWNER OCCUPATION



### Building Industry Forecasts 1994-95

Total dwelling commencements for 1994-95 are forecast to decline by 10% to 10,300. The forecast decline in house starts is mainly attributed to:

- pent up demand having been largely met;
- little growth in the State's population;
- rising interest rates; and
- a weak, albeit improving, State economy.

The decline is also exacerbated by the bringing forward of demand in recent years following the positive effects on the housing industry by factors such as HomeStart, relatively low competitive housing interest rates and affordable house/land packages. The IPC's estimate of underlying demand for new dwellings in South Australia is 8,300. Given the factors affecting the economy and the dwelling market, new dwelling activity will be influenced largely by the underlying demand.

Private house building is forecast at 8,100, down 11% on the 9,159 starts in 1993-94. The decline is being attributed to:

- easing of demand in the first home buyer sector of the market (this sector has largely underpinned house construction in recent years), and
- no significant increase in the middle and upper price market sectors to offset the decline in first-home buyer low priced market sector.

Private 'other' starts are forecast at 1,600, maintaining the relative stability of recent years. Demand is still likely to be largely from home buyers preferring quality properties in the inner established areas of the ASD, and the retirement unit market. There is unlikely to be any significant demand from investors because of the high vacancy rate and low rental returns in the private rental market. Some 90% of private 'other' building is in the ASD.

Public dwelling (houses and 'other') starts are forecast to decline by 24% to 600 following funding constraints.

### Building Industry Forecasts 1995-96

The outlook for 1995-96, is for a continued decline in new residential building activity. Total dwelling starts are forecast at 8,800, a decline of 15% from the forecast 10,300 starts in 1994-95. Private houses are forecast to decline 16% to 6,800, private 'other' will decline 6% to 1,500, and public starts will decline to 500. The low population growth is likely to remain the most significant factor impacting on new house building over the forecast period. Demand for private 'other' will primarily come from home buyers looking for properties in the inner established areas of the ASD, and the retirement market. It is unlikely the private rental vacant rate will fall to levels that will induce significant numbers of investors to demand new 'other' dwellings. Public dwelling starts are expected to decline further under current policies.

Building activity is likely to remain at fairly low levels in most of the major non-metropolitan urban centres of South Australia such as Whyalla, Port Pirie, Port Augusta and Port Lincoln. However, Mount Barker (just outside the ASD), the Barossa Valley, Victor Harbor (mainly holiday and retirement), and Mount Gambier are expected to remain as major non-metropolitan growth areas during the forecast period (1994-95 and 1995-96). On average, around 28% of total building activity occurs outside the ASD. Dwelling commencements (with year on year changes in parentheses) are shown in the following table.

DWELLING COMMENCEMENT FORECASTS  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA

| Dwelling type    | 1993-94(A)          | 1994-95(F)           | 1995-96(F)          |
|------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Private houses   | 9,159 (0%)          | 8,100 (-11%)         | 6,800 (-16%)        |
| Private 'other'  | 1,534 (-13%)        | 1,600 (+4%)          | 1,500 (-6%)         |
| Public dwellings | 788 (+5%)           | 600 (-24%)           | 500 (-17%)          |
| <b>Total</b>     | <b>11,481 (-1%)</b> | <b>10,300 (-10%)</b> | <b>8,800 (-15%)</b> |

(A) Actual. (F) Forecast.

### Building Resources Residential Land

In 1994-95 and 1995-96, demand for land is expected to ease as a result of the anticipated decline in private house commencements. Nevertheless, production, or the capacity to produce, will still need to remain between 5,000 and 6,000 allotments per annum to maintain vacant allotment stocks at existing levels. This should be within the capacity of the development industry provided sufficient applications for division are lodged. However, it is of concern that:

- production of lots by developers continued to be less than consumption by new homes in the financial year ending 30 June 1994, despite production in 1993-94 being the highest since the mid 1970s;

- the gradual rundown in the stock of developed allotments is continuing and there is an increasing reliance on new production to provide the supply of lots for home building; and
- the capacity of developers to immediately produce lots has been rapidly reducing because of the low number of lots in proposed divisions.

During 1994, there were only about 3,000 proposed lots in divisions with greater than 5 lots lodged by the private sector, including SA Urban Land Trust (SAULT) joint ventures in the ASD. This compares with 6,541 in 1992-93 and 4,136 in 1993-94. Available data suggest that the number of proposed residential lots in the land division process at the end of December 1994 was about 9,500. This compares with 12,569 at the end of June 1993, a reduction of 25% in eighteen months.

**DWELLING COMMENCEMENTS, LOT CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION, PRIVATE SECTOR  
ADELAIDE STATISTICAL DIVISION**

| Year    | Dwellings Commenced | Estimated Lots Used | Allotment Production | Applications Received |
|---------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1991-92 | 7,038               | 5,800               | 4,775                | 6,172                 |
| 1992-93 | 7,995               | 6,600               | 5,200                | 7,703                 |
| 1993-94 | 7,634               | 6,400               | 5,808                | 5,332                 |
| 1994-95 | 7,000               | 5,800               | n.a.                 | n.a.                  |
| 1995-96 | 6,100               | 4,900               | n.a.                 | n.a.                  |

The continuing shortfall in production of lots relative to demand and the low level of applications lodged appears to be the result of developers (and joint ventures) wishing to minimise risk. While this is financially prudent, the industry's capacity to meet immediate demand in the future has declined. Because demand is declining, any lack of capacity to maintain or increase production is unlikely to be an issue in 1994-95 or 1995-96. However, the level of lodgements will need to increase eventually to ensure that production is sufficient to maintain allotment stocks.

Average land prices in 1993 and 1994 are shown in the following table. It is not known to what extent any change in the mix of allotment sizes contributed to these trends. The Department of Housing and Urban Development has obtained a file of sales from the Sales History System maintained by the Department of Natural Resources with a view to specifying a computer process for the extraction of sales by size of parcel by price range (or average price) by local government area.

**AVERAGE ALLOTMENT PRICES  
MAJOR GROWTH AREAS OF ADELAIDE**

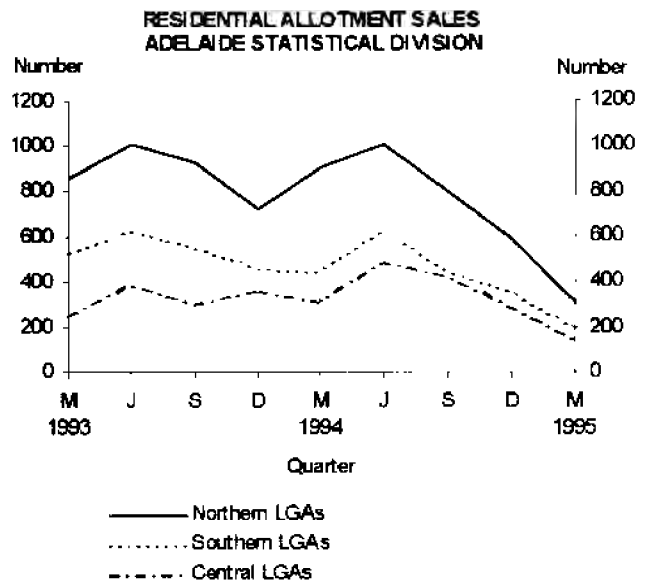
| LGA             | 1993  |                    | 1994       |                    |
|-----------------|-------|--------------------|------------|--------------------|
|                 | Sales | Average Price (\$) | Sales      | Average Price (\$) |
| <b>Northern</b> |       |                    |            |                    |
| Gawler          | 147   | 30,561             | 192 (+31%) | 30,565 (0%)        |
| Munno Para      | 791   | 27,178             | 731 (-8%)  | 28,058 (+3%)       |
| Salisbury       | 984   | 32,725             | 780 (-21%) | 31,800 (-3%)       |
| Tea Tree Gully  | 1,321 | 46,095             | 955 (-28%) | 49,776 (+8%)       |
| Enfield         | 248   | 45,521             | 406 (+64%) | 45,898 (0%)        |
| <b>Southern</b> |       |                    |            |                    |
| Marion          | 215   | 47,540             | 146 (-32%) | 49,509 (+4%)       |
| Happy Valley    | 440   | 49,955             | 336 (-24%) | 50,093 (0%)        |
| Noarlunga       | 1,181 | 32,410             | 934 (-21%) | 32,076 (-1%)       |
| Willunga        | 275   | 27,679             | 242 (-12%) | 28,183 (+2%)       |

Source: Valuer-General.

### Northern LGAs

Except for Enfield Local Government Area (LGA), which contains the Regent Gardens development, average prices have risen over the period 1992 to 1994. In year-on-year terms, the volume of sales has been reasonably stable, although some substitution has occurred between Enfield and Tea Tree Gully.

Overall, there is likely to be sufficient land available in 1994-95 and 1995-96. The SAULT Walkley Heights land will be available shortly. Additional land is planned to be progressively released at the MFP site at The Levels, Northfield Stages 2 and 3, and at Craigmare. Timing will depend on demand.



### Southern LGAs

Investigations by the Urban and Regional Development Advisory Committee (URDAC) in 1993 concluded that a considerable decline in production was likely in 1993-94 and 1994-95 because of the decline in broadacre land available to the land development industry. Urgent action to release further land was recommended. However, increased production was unnecessary following the decline in demand in Noarlunga. Nevertheless, steps have been taken to release State Government owned land at Noarlunga Downs and Hackham. This land will be released progressively. However, it is emphasised that it has limited dwelling capacity.

The only significant broadacre holding left in the southern metropolitan area is the Seaford Joint Venture which can increase production to 800 lots per annum if necessary. However, to provide continuity in supply and consumer choice, the rezoning of land designated for residential development at Aldinga in the SA Government's Planning Strategy is essential. The IPC recommends that this be programmed as soon as practicable so that the land is ready for release to developers when required.

### Established Dwelling Market

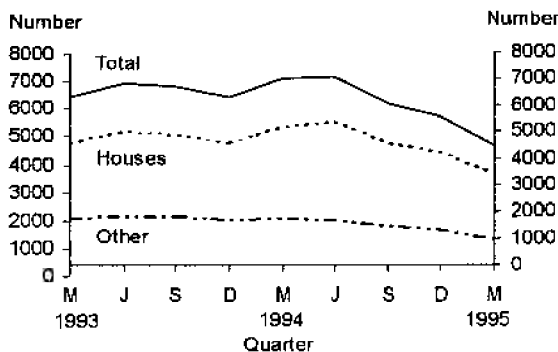
As can be seen from the following graph, the established dwelling market, in the ASD, has dipped markedly in recent months. Total dwelling sales for the first half of 1994-95 (September and December quarters 1994), were 8,337, a fall of 21% from the preceding two quarters



(March and June 1994), and down 11% on sales in the first half of 1993-94.

Factors negatively affecting the dwelling construction market are also affecting the established dwelling market. Preliminary data for the March Quarter 1995 show that the decline has been continuing. Demand for established houses is likely to continue to weaken over the forecast period. Demand for lower priced houses (to \$100,000) has weakened. Demand for middle price (\$100,000 to \$250,000) and high priced properties (above \$250,000) has increased in recent months, albeit moderately and not enough to offset the decline in lower priced houses. Sales of houses in the first half of 1994-95 totalled 4,286, a fall of 13% from the corresponding period in 1993-94. However, the median price rose marginally to \$113,000 over the 12 months to December 1994. This is largely a result of compositional factors, i.e. less low price properties sold relative to the overall market. The prices of low and middle sector house prices are likely to move downward over the forecast period.

SALES OF ESTABLISHED DWELLINGS  
ADELAIDE STATISTICAL DIVISION(a)



(a) March Quarter 1995 Data is Preliminary

Overall sales of established 'other' have declined over the past three quarters after five years of relatively stable sales. Sales during the first half of 1994-95 were 2,563, 12% lower than for the corresponding period in the previous year. The median price of home units in the December quarter 1994 was \$93,000, marginally lower than the \$93,400 median 12 months earlier. There is also likely to be continued downward pressure on home unit prices over the forecast period.

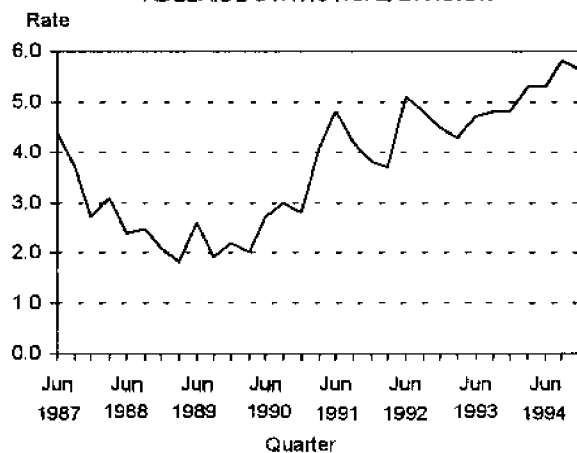
Demand for 'other' has weakened markedly in recent months for the same reasons as cited for established houses. It is likely that demand for home units will continue to decline over the forecast period. The high vacancy rate in the private rental market is likely to discourage significant buying by investors.

## Private Rental Market

The vacancy rate in the ASD, as reported in the Real Estate Institute of Australia's publication *Market Facts*, is currently just below 6%, and has been rising since early 1990. The high rate has resulted from many renters switching to home ownership, builders putting unsold stock on to the rental market, younger people remaining in the parental home for a variety of economic reasons and low population growth. It is likely that the vacancy rate will level out over the forecast period.

In the short term, demand will weaken as the winter months set in. Seasonally, demand is strongest during the March quarter, weakest during the June quarter and slowly improves over the September and December quarters. This seasonal pattern has been in evidence for many years.

PRIVATE RENTAL MARKET - VACANCY RATE  
ADELAIDE STATISTICAL DIVISION



The average rent for a three-bedroom house in the March quarter 1995, according to the Residential Tenancies Tribunal was around \$160, unchanged from rentals charged in the March quarter 1994. Average rents for the majority of two-bedroom units have remained flat for several years at around \$90 per week. With the relatively high vacancy rate it is most unlikely that there will be any upward pressure on rents over the forecast period. In fact, instances are occurring where landlords are lowering rents to retain tenants, although this is not widespread. Over the forecast period, the private rental market is likely to be characterised by high vacancy rates (mostly in home units and flats), static rents and little, if any, capital gain especially for 'other'.

## Further Reference

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# TIME SERIES

## STATE ACCOUNTS AT CURRENT PRICES South Australia

| Period   | Final consumption expenditure |        | Gross fixed capital expenditure |        | State final demand | Gross State product (1) | Wages, salaries and supplements |
|--|-------------------------------|--------|---------------------------------|--------|--------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
|  | Private                       | Public | Private                         | Public |                    |                         |                                 |
| ANNUAL (\$ million)                            |                               |        |                                 |        |                    |                         |                                 |
| 1984-85  | 10,502                        | 3,501  | 3,048                           | 1,047  | 18,098             | 17,372                  | 9,193                           |
| 1985-86  | 11,566                        | 3,858  | 3,163                           | 1,266  | 19,853             | 19,343                  | 9,990                           |
| 1986-87  | 12,454                        | 4,200  | 3,255                           | 1,286  | 21,195             | 20,657                  | 10,654                          |
| 1987-88  | 13,733                        | 4,389  | 3,965                           | 1,194  | 23,281             | 22,863                  | 11,269                          |
| 1988-89  | 15,235                        | 4,646  | 4,149                           | 1,425  | 25,455             | 25,567                  | 12,591                          |
| 1989-90  | 16,486                        | 5,000  | 4,488                           | 1,574  | 27,548             | 28,019                  | 14,009                          |
| 1990-91  | 18,068                        | 5,474  | 4,228                           | 1,503  | 29,273             | 28,320                  | 14,776                          |
| 1991-92  | 18,928                        | 5,827  | 3,998                           | 1,372  | 30,125             | 28,862                  | 14,756                          |
| 1992-93  | 19,439                        | 6,049  | 3,952                           | 1,336  | 30,776             | 30,289                  | 15,264                          |
| 1993-94  | 20,193                        | 6,724  | 3,953                           | 1,129  | 31,999             | 32,177                  | 16,098                          |
| PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR           |                               |        |                                 |        |                    |                         |                                 |
| 1985-86  | 10.1                          | 10.2   | 3.8                             | 20.9   | 9.7                | 11.3                    | 8.7                             |
| 1986-87  | 7.7                           | 8.9    | 2.9                             | 1.6    | 6.8                | 6.8                     | 6.6                             |
| 1987-88  | 10.3                          | 4.5    | 21.8                            | -7.2   | 9.8                | 10.7                    | 5.8                             |
| 1988-89  | 10.9                          | 5.9    | 4.6                             | 19.3   | 9.3                | 11.8                    | 11.7                            |
| 1989-90  | 8.2                           | 7.6    | 8.2                             | 10.5   | 8.2                | 9.6                     | 11.3                            |
| 1990-91  | 9.6                           | 9.5    | -5.8                            | -4.5   | 6.3                | 1.1                     | 5.5                             |
| 1991-92  | 4.8                           | 6.4    | -5.4                            | -8.7   | 2.9                | 1.9                     | -0.1                            |
| 1992-93  | 2.7                           | 3.8    | -1.2                            | -2.6   | 2.2                | 4.9                     | 3.4                             |
| 1993-94  | 3.9                           | 11.2   | 0.0                             | -15.5  | 4.0                | 6.2                     | 5.5                             |
| QUARTERLY, ORIGINAL (\$ million)               |                               |        |                                 |        |                    |                         |                                 |
| 1992 - 93 -                                    |                               |        |                                 |        |                    |                         |                                 |
| December                                       | 5,107                         | 1,519  | 1,093                           | 327    | 8,046              | 7,986                   | 3,904                           |
| March  | 4,684                         | 1,443  | 914                             | 290    | 7,331              | 7,654                   | 3,691                           |
| June   | 4,844                         | 1,564  | 1,035                           | 430    | 7,873              | 7,474                   | 3,914                           |
| 1993 - 94 -                                    |                               |        |                                 |        |                    |                         |                                 |
| September                                      | 4,965                         | 1,632  | 976                             | 248    | 7,821              | 7,797                   | 4,018                           |
| December                                       | 5,313                         | 1,624  | 1,023                           | 297    | 8,257              | 8,519                   | 4,056                           |
| March  | 4,904                         | 1,482  | 930                             | 245    | 7,561              | 7,854                   | 3,878                           |
| June   | 5,011                         | 1,986  | 1,024                           | 339    | 8,360              | 8,007                   | 4,146                           |
| 1994 - 95 -                                    |                               |        |                                 |        |                    |                         |                                 |
| September                                      | 5,220                         | 1,699  | 1,133                           | 245    | 8,297              | 8,176                   | 4,067                           |
| December                                       | 5,597                         | 1,635  | 1,178                           | 281    | 8,691              | 8,940                   | 4,182                           |
| QUARTERLY, TREND (\$ million)                  |                               |        |                                 |        |                    |                         |                                 |
| 1992 - 93 -                                    |                               |        |                                 |        |                    |                         |                                 |
| December                                       | 4,848                         | 1,514  | 994                             | 335    | 7,691              | 7,511                   | 3,780                           |
| March  | 4,882                         | 1,515  | 1,001                           | 337    | 7,735              | 7,682                   | 3,859                           |
| June   | 4,929                         | 1,545  | 1,000                           | 327    | 7,801              | 7,798                   | 3,919                           |
| 1993 - 94 -                                    |                               |        |                                 |        |                    |                         |                                 |
| September                                      | 4,985                         | 1,567  | 986                             | 307    | 7,845              | 7,879                   | 3,954                           |
| December                                       | 5,037                         | 1,620  | 977                             | 290    | 7,924              | 7,966                   | 3,983                           |
| March  | 5,085                         | 1,691  | 990                             | 285    | 8,051              | 8,080                   | 4,021                           |
| June   | 5,149                         | 1,731  | 1,040                           | 281    | 8,201              | 8,189                   | 4,060                           |
| 1994 - 95 -                                    |                               |        |                                 |        |                    |                         |                                 |
| September                                      | 5,220                         | 1,728  | 1,096                           | 274    | 8,318              | 8,284                   | 4,081                           |
| December                                       | 5,295                         | 1,693  | 1,137                           | 271    | 8,396              | 8,360                   | 4,085                           |
| PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS QUARTER, TREND |                               |        |                                 |        |                    |                         |                                 |
| 1992 - 93 -                                    |                               |        |                                 |        |                    |                         |                                 |
| March  | 0.7                           | 0.1    | 0.7                             | 0.6    | 0.6                | 2.3                     | 2.1                             |
| June   | 1.0                           | 2.0    | -0.1                            | -3.0   | 0.9                | 1.5                     | 1.6                             |
| 1993 - 94 -                                    |                               |        |                                 |        |                    |                         |                                 |
| September                                      | 1.1                           | 1.4    | -1.4                            | -6.1   | 0.6                | 1.0                     | 0.9                             |
| December                                       | 1.0                           | 3.4    | -0.9                            | -5.5   | 1.0                | 1.1                     | 0.7                             |
| March  | 1.0                           | 4.4    | 1.3                             | -1.7   | 1.6                | 1.4                     | 1.0                             |
| June   | 1.3                           | 2.4    | 5.1                             | -1.4   | 1.9                | 1.3                     | 1.0                             |
| 1994 - 95 -                                    |                               |        |                                 |        |                    |                         |                                 |
| September                                      | 1.4                           | -0.2   | 5.4                             | -2.5   | 1.4                | 1.2                     | 0.5                             |
| December                                       | 1.4                           | -2.0   | 3.7                             | -1.1   | 0.9                | 0.9                     | 0.1                             |

**STATE ACCOUNTS AT AVERAGE 1989-90 PRICES**  
**South Australia**

| Period   | Final consumption expenditure |        | Gross fixed capital expenditure |        | State final demand | Gross State product (l) |
|--|-------------------------------|--------|---------------------------------|--------|--------------------|-------------------------|
|  | Private                       | Public | Private                         | Public |                    |                         |
| ANNUAL (\$ million)                            |                               |        |                                 |        |                    |                         |
| 1984-85  | 14,709                        | 4,498  | 4,112                           | 1,339  | 24,658             | 23,352                  |
| 1985-86  | 14,975                        | 4,688  | 3,850                           | 1,504  | 25,017             | 25,011                  |
| 1986-87  | 14,936                        | 4,851  | 3,616                           | 1,437  | 24,840             | 25,320                  |
| 1987-88  | 15,434                        | 4,877  | 4,237                           | 1,303  | 25,851             | 25,999                  |
| 1988-89  | 16,070                        | 4,874  | 4,286                           | 1,495  | 26,725             | 26,777                  |
| 1989-90  | 16,486                        | 5,000  | 4,488                           | 1,574  | 27,548             | 28,019                  |
| 1990-91  | 17,118                        | 5,212  | 4,091                           | 1,453  | 27,874             | 27,603                  |
| 1991-92  | 17,416                        | 5,345  | 3,827                           | 1,307  | 27,895             | 27,175                  |
| 1992-93  | 17,447                        | 5,460  | 3,667                           | 1,251  | 27,825             | 28,240                  |
| 1993-94  | 17,823                        | 5,762  | 3,595                           | 1,052  | 28,232             | 29,161                  |
| PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR           |                               |        |                                 |        |                    |                         |
| 1985-86  | 1.8                           | 4.2    | -6.4                            | 12.3   | 1.5                | 7.1                     |
| 1986-87  | -0.3                          | 3.5    | -6.1                            | -4.5   | -0.7               | 1.2                     |
| 1987-88  | 3.3                           | 0.5    | 17.2                            | -9.3   | 4.1                | 2.7                     |
| 1988-89  | 4.1                           | -0.1   | 1.2                             | 14.7   | 3.4                | 3.0                     |
| 1989-90  | 2.6                           | 2.6    | 4.7                             | 5.3    | 3.1                | 4.6                     |
| 1990-91  | 3.8                           | 4.2    | -8.8                            | -7.7   | 1.2                | -1.5                    |
| 1991-92  | 1.7                           | 2.6    | -6.5                            | -10.0  | 0.1                | -1.6                    |
| 1992-93  | 0.2                           | 2.2    | -4.2                            | -4.3   | -0.3               | 3.9                     |
| 1993-94  | 2.2                           | 5.5    | -2.0                            | -15.9  | 1.5                | 3.3                     |
| QUARTERLY, ORIGINAL (\$ million)               |                               |        |                                 |        |                    |                         |
| 1992 - 93 -                                    |                               |        |                                 |        |                    |                         |
| December                                       | 4,596                         | 1,361  | 1,017                           | 305    | 7,279              | 7,513                   |
| March  | 4,185                         | 1,310  | 841                             | 271    | 6,607              | 7,133                   |
| June   | 4,313                         | 1,421  | 950                             | 402    | 7,086              | 6,901                   |
| 1993 - 94 -                                    |                               |        |                                 |        |                    |                         |
| September                                      | 4,400                         | 1,407  | 897                             | 231    | 6,935              | 7,101                   |
| December                                       | 4,693                         | 1,388  | 933                             | 274    | 7,288              | 7,954                   |
| March  | 4,326                         | 1,314  | 844                             | 232    | 6,716              | 7,082                   |
| June   | 4,404                         | 1,653  | 921                             | 315    | 7,293              | 7,024                   |
| 1994 - 95 -                                    |                               |        |                                 |        |                    |                         |
| September                                      | 4,568                         | 1,476  | 1,032                           | 228    | 7,304              | 7,134                   |
| December                                       | 4,885                         | 1,396  | 1,079                           | 262    | 7,622              | 7,926                   |
| QUARTERLY, TREND (\$ million)                  |                               |        |                                 |        |                    |                         |
| 1992 - 93 -                                    |                               |        |                                 |        |                    |                         |
| December                                       | 4,365                         | 1,370  | 925                             | 314    | 6,974              | 7,008                   |
| March  | 4,370                         | 1,366  | 924                             | 314    | 6,974              | 7,142                   |
| June   | 4,388                         | 1,375  | 917                             | 304    | 6,984              | 7,228                   |
| 1993 - 94 -                                    |                               |        |                                 |        |                    |                         |
| September                                      | 4,420                         | 1,378  | 905                             | 285    | 6,988              | 7,272                   |
| December                                       | 4,453                         | 1,402  | 892                             | 270    | 7,017              | 7,282                   |
| March  | 4,488                         | 1,447  | 898                             | 266    | 7,099              | 7,285                   |
| June   | 4,528                         | 1,480  | 941                             | 263    | 7,212              | 7,276                   |
| 1994 - 95 -                                    |                               |        |                                 |        |                    |                         |
| September                                      | 4,571                         | 1,483  | 994                             | 256    | 7,304              | 7,274                   |
| December                                       | 4,610                         | 1,460  | 1,035                           | 252    | 7,357              | 7,277                   |
| PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS QUARTER, TREND |                               |        |                                 |        |                    |                         |
| 1992 - 93 -                                    |                               |        |                                 |        |                    |                         |
| March  | 0.1                           | -0.3   | -0.1                            | 0.0    | 0.0                | 1.9                     |
| June   | 0.4                           | 0.7    | -0.8                            | -3.2   | 0.1                | 1.2                     |
| 1993 - 94 -                                    |                               |        |                                 |        |                    |                         |
| September                                      | 0.7                           | 0.2    | -1.3                            | -6.3   | 0.1                | 0.6                     |
| December                                       | 0.7                           | 1.7    | -1.4                            | -5.3   | 0.4                | 0.1                     |
| March  | 0.8                           | 3.2    | 0.7                             | -1.5   | 1.2                | 0.0                     |
| June   | 0.9                           | 2.3    | 4.8                             | -1.1   | 1.6                | -0.1                    |
| 1994 - 95 -                                    |                               |        |                                 |        |                    |                         |
| September                                      | 0.9                           | 0.2    | 5.6                             | -2.7   | 1.3                | 0.0                     |
| December                                       | 0.9                           | -1.6   | 4.1                             | -1.6   | 0.7                | 0.0                     |

## MERCHANDISE EXPORTS BY SELECTED COMMODITY GROUP

## Final Production in South Australia

(\$'000)

| Period      | Meat and meat preparations | Cereals and cereal preparations | Wine    | Wool and sheepskins | Machinery | Metals and metal manufactures | Fish and crustaceans | Road vehicles, parts and accessories | Petroleum and petroleum products | Total     |
|-------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|---------|---------------------|-----------|-------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------|
| ANNUAL      |                            |                                 |         |                     |           |                               |                      |                                      |                                  |           |
| 1988-89     | 181,058                    | 475,481                         | 71,474  | 415,098             | 104,163   | 239,656                       | 95,720               | 124,815                              | 189,679                          | 2,451,372 |
| 1989-90     | 244,374                    | 724,369                         | 73,484  | 285,650             | 111,944   | 371,136                       | 111,760              | 161,704                              | 188,105                          | 2,828,091 |
| 1990-91     | 234,299                    | 587,199                         | 123,567 | 257,576             | 152,940   | 433,341                       | 122,604              | 117,218                              | 291,507                          | 3,007,137 |
| 1991-92     | 270,237                    | 565,582                         | 165,914 | 351,096             | 176,536   | 489,030                       | 147,532              | 137,091                              | 341,477                          | 3,431,139 |
| 1992-93     | 282,181                    | 573,375                         | 192,256 | 318,989             | 211,425   | 490,594                       | 154,608              | 338,359                              | 372,445                          | 3,760,601 |
| 1993-94     | 324,796                    | 436,517                         | 238,366 | 290,963             | 223,760   | 462,353                       | 186,861              | 351,229                              | 276,473                          | 3,889,720 |
| MONTHLY     |                            |                                 |         |                     |           |                               |                      |                                      |                                  |           |
| 1993 - 94 - |                            |                                 |         |                     |           |                               |                      |                                      |                                  |           |
| January     | 26,804                     | 49,416                          | 9,889   | 28,667              | 10,339    | 36,612                        | 13,692               | 3,303                                | 15,194                           | 282,124   |
| February    | 21,462                     | 60,453                          | 13,989  | 20,986              | 16,521    | 34,859                        | 11,219               | 30,123                               | 23,270                           | 306,961   |
| March       | 33,395                     | 50,935                          | 19,012  | 28,800              | 25,342    | 39,157                        | 20,854               | 26,294                               | 28,305                           | 383,631   |
| April       | 29,137                     | 30,093                          | 22,269  | 21,157              | 17,962    | 40,786                        | 14,224               | 31,463                               | 28,589                           | 358,906   |
| May         | 35,616                     | 40,755                          | 19,407  | 27,009              | 18,061    | 59,004                        | 17,616               | 15,860                               | 15,315                           | 333,032   |
| June        | 26,408                     | 41,603                          | 21,679  | 26,490              | 19,147    | 45,524                        | 12,431               | 13,030                               | 29,830                           | 333,254   |
| 1994 - 95 - |                            |                                 |         |                     |           |                               |                      |                                      |                                  |           |
| July        | 16,846                     | 24,151                          | 17,994  | 21,467              | 21,346    | 28,235                        | 14,862               | 28,268                               | 8,489                            | 275,064   |
| August      | 16,427                     | 20,282                          | 22,287  | 16,510              | 18,605    | 43,510                        | 9,563                | 29,613                               | 26,352                           | 297,986   |
| September   | 24,651                     | 36,675                          | 29,230  | 22,493              | 19,695    | 45,405                        | 7,706                | 27,442                               | 39,196                           | 340,049   |
| October     | 28,580                     | 27,555                          | 29,549  | 26,817              | 23,285    | 32,446                        | 23,210               | 26,883                               | 23,289                           | 368,288   |
| November    | 31,420                     | 21,898                          | 15,619  | 38,562              | 24,836    | 39,758                        | 20,370               | 35,507                               | 28,000                           | 340,757   |
| December    | 26,505                     | 12,077                          | 14,206  | 30,323              | 25,738    | 45,363                        | 14,891               | 29,560                               | 13,200                           | 282,505   |
| January     | 23,308                     | 21,330                          | 12,218  | 24,468              | 11,919    | 66,781                        | 14,201               | 17,398                               | 28,942                           | 295,248   |
| February    | 27,904                     | 8,880                           | 17,074  | 24,448              | 19,983    | 32,438                        | 13,803               | 23,909                               | 11,948                           | 239,971   |
| March       | 27,383                     | 22,896                          | 22,872  | 25,651              | 31,380    | 70,128                        | 16,870               | 25,278                               | 29,971                           | 381,369   |

## MERCHANDISE EXPORTS BY SELECTED COUNTRIES

## Final Production in South Australia

(\$'000)

| Period      | United States | European Community |                |                          |             | East Asia |         |           |         | Other East Asia |
|-------------|---------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------------|-------------|-----------|---------|-----------|---------|-----------------|
|             |               | Middle East        | United Kingdom | Other European Community | New Zealand | Japan     | China   | Hong Kong | ASEAN   |                 |
| ANNUAL      |               |                    |                |                          |             |           |         |           |         |                 |
| 1988-89     | 184,903       | 397,324            | 108,635        | 231,434                  | 230,263     | 390,207   | 51,975  | 55,474    | 230,112 | 141,380         |
| 1989-90     | 229,169       | 551,953            | 121,319        | 274,951                  | 289,970     | 359,643   | 86,303  | 49,273    | 272,761 | 162,229         |
| 1990-91     | 321,032       | 325,450            | 186,353        | 270,722                  | 179,193     | 438,970   | 146,434 | 80,640    | 403,566 | 214,966         |
| 1991-92     | 300,139       | 381,761            | 220,048        | 291,939                  | 214,522     | 647,674   | 148,308 | 108,583   | 433,138 | 288,576         |
| 1992-93     | 352,765       | 314,049            | 237,521        | 327,695                  | 288,420     | 649,684   | 208,136 | 171,804   | 475,253 | 306,923         |
| 1993-94     | 393,611       | 280,498            | 263,092        | 277,786                  | 311,999     | 625,420   | 220,211 | 165,163   | 528,636 | 358,920         |
| MONTHLY     |               |                    |                |                          |             |           |         |           |         |                 |
| 1993 - 94 - |               |                    |                |                          |             |           |         |           |         |                 |
| January     | 17,991        | 52,754             | 7,091          | 11,687                   | 12,370      | 44,280    | 6,951   | 15,718    | 50,861  | 30,023          |
| February    | 33,336        | 18,069             | 13,609         | 35,175                   | 23,521      | 28,834    | 26,366  | 13,118    | 43,677  | 27,831          |
| March       | 34,185        | 36,830             | 14,385         | 20,924                   | 29,136      | 65,082    | 25,742  | 22,570    | 45,109  | 45,752          |
| April       | 31,358        | 15,260             | 46,024         | 23,352                   | 35,203      | 52,161    | 18,819  | 15,841    | 38,938  | 22,133          |
| May         | 26,512        | 28,689             | 19,442         | 22,287                   | 24,281      | 54,292    | 21,440  | 16,319    | 47,583  | 30,356          |
| June        | 41,064        | 29,568             | 20,320         | 22,641                   | 16,495      | 47,454    | 17,402  | 11,626    | 50,763  | 29,063          |
| 1994 - 95 - |               |                    |                |                          |             |           |         |           |         |                 |
| July        | 36,531        | 15,015             | 13,525         | 11,240                   | 39,604      | 50,242    | 10,775  | 14,814    | 24,368  | 23,195          |
| August      | 25,708        | 19,773             | 19,270         | 24,587                   | 29,779      | 54,952    | 20,681  | 13,367    | 41,656  | 18,373          |
| September   | 25,319        | 25,907             | 29,252         | 25,377                   | 30,126      | 41,864    | 17,432  | 11,876    | 60,583  | 31,690          |
| October     | 29,113        | 15,689             | 47,806         | 25,083                   | 34,538      | 77,152    | 17,467  | 16,292    | 30,935  | 35,774          |
| November    | 33,190        | 9,183              | 11,218         | 20,394                   | 35,669      | 65,244    | 14,078  | 17,068    | 63,649  | 34,757          |
| December    | 23,218        | 13,047             | 12,254         | 26,429                   | 29,616      | 47,557    | 11,591  | 18,008    | 31,602  | 36,572          |
| January     | 20,853        | 13,813             | 11,630         | 23,865                   | 31,354      | 42,017    | 13,536  | 17,016    | 61,241  | 33,067          |
| February    | 21,900        | 13,922             | 12,719         | 14,850                   | 20,214      | 40,601    | 13,443  | 13,938    | 27,566  | 34,880          |
| March       | 35,095        | 18,964             | 29,309         | 35,600                   | 33,525      | 61,470    | 18,271  | 22,577    | 58,412  | 29,548          |

**MERCHANDISE EXPORTS BY INDUSTRY OF ORIGIN**  
**Final Production in South Australia**  
**(\$'000)**

| Period      | Agriculture,<br>forestry<br>and<br>fishing | Mining  | Food,<br>beverages<br>and<br>tobacco | Petroleum,<br>coal,<br>chemical<br>associated<br>product | Manufacturing    |                               | Other   | Other   | Total     |
|-------------|--|---------|--------------------------------------|--|------------------|-------------------------------|---------|---------|-----------|
|             |  |         |                                      |  | Metal<br>product | Machinery<br>and<br>equipment |         |         |           |
| ANNUAL      |  |         |                                      |  |                  |                               |         |         |           |
| 1988-89     | 891,829                                    | 107,269 | 511,427                              | 176,018  | 255,046          | 268,737                       | 96,031  | 145,015 | 2,451,372 |
| 1989-90     | 979,463                                    | 133,318 | 578,379                              | 132,725  | 403,204          | 318,882                       | 99,958  | 182,162 | 2,828,091 |
| 1990-91     | 804,154                                    | 120,930 | 591,117                              | 264,813  | 471,899          | 335,347                       | 155,351 | 263,526 | 3,007,137 |
| 1991-92     | 626,738                                    | 248,846 | 700,586                              | 201,674  | 540,542          | 379,482                       | 178,485 | 554,786 | 3,431,139 |
| 1992-93     | 559,996                                    | 294,585 | 764,372                              | 195,354  | 509,303          | 641,204                       | 178,727 | 617,059 | 3,760,601 |
| 1993-94     | 340,340                                    | 245,247 | 884,404                              | 178,440  | 475,059          | 665,066                       | 205,978 | 895,187 | 3,889,720 |
| MONTHLY     |  |         |                                      |  |                  |                               |         |         |           |
| 1993 - 94 - |  |         |                                      |  |                  |                               |         |         |           |
| January     | 33,354                                     | 14,809  | 64,294                               | 9,782  | 36,855           | 18,726                        | 19,259  | 85,045  | 282,124   |
| February    | 35,761                                     | 22,342  | 54,907                               | 8,635  | 35,497           | 53,497                        | 14,509  | 81,814  | 306,961   |
| March       | 36,158                                     | 33,619  | 83,276                               | 12,186   | 40,418           | 59,160                        | 20,646  | 98,168  | 383,631   |
| April       | 19,660                                     | 30,633  | 73,260                               | 15,656   | 41,788           | 56,408                        | 21,284  | 100,216 | 358,906   |
| May         | 25,244                                     | 13,307  | 83,202                               | 12,098   | 59,902           | 41,786                        | 22,562  | 74,931  | 333,032   |
| June        | 29,485                                     | 31,114  | 80,990                               | 15,632   | 45,878           | 38,844                        | 16,302  | 75,008  | 333,254   |
| 1994 - 95 - |  |         |                                      |  |                  |                               |         |         |           |
| July        | 35,908                                     | 1,596   | 62,437                               | 16,638   | 30,765           | 57,358                        | 21,081  | 49,282  | 275,064   |
| August      | 18,507                                     | 29,932  | 56,573                               | 12,076   | 44,556           | 55,638                        | 23,669  | 57,035  | 297,986   |
| September   | 26,400                                     | 31,213  | 74,070                               | 17,501   | 46,256           | 53,626                        | 17,244  | 73,739  | 340,049   |
| October     | 30,333                                     | 21,360  | 89,044                               | 17,985   | 33,327           | 59,281                        | 24,608  | 92,350  | 368,288   |
| November    | 50,389                                     | 32,529  | 74,499                               | 13,207   | 39,788           | 70,285                        | 21,675  | 38,385  | 340,757   |
| December    | 35,399                                     | 9,123   | 60,453                               | 14,794   | 46,264           | 62,118                        | 18,417  | 35,917  | 282,505   |
| January     | 35,390                                     | 36,405  | 53,802                               | 12,825   | 68,087           | 35,691                        | 15,662  | 37,386  | 295,248   |
| February    | 34,430                                     | 7,739   | 62,909                               | 12,292   | 33,111           | 50,450                        | 16,923  | 22,117  | 239,971   |
| March       | 35,035                                     | 38,401  | 70,760                               | 13,277   | 72,284           | 62,972                        | 18,831  | 69,809  | 381,369   |

**MERCHANDISE IMPORTS BY SELECTED COMMODITY GROUP**  
**Import Documents Lodged in South Australia**  
**(\$'000)**

| <i>Period</i> | <i>Food,<br/>beverages<br/>and<br/>tobacco</i> | <i>Petroleum<br/>and<br/>petroleum<br/>products</i> | <i>Chemicals</i> | <i>Textiles</i> | <i>Metals and<br/>metal<br/>manu-<br/>factures</i> | <i>Machinery</i> | <i>Road<br/>vehicles,<br/>parts and<br/>accessories</i> | <i>Other<br/>manu-<br/>factured<br/>goods</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|---------------|--|---|------------------|-----------------|--|------------------|---|---|--------------|
| ANNUAL        |  |   |                  |                 |  |                  |   |   |              |
| 1988-89       | 60,395   | 169,397   | 144,766          | 47,592          | 135,225  | 411,092          | 415,120   | 344,344                                       | 1,861,622    |
| 1989-90       | 71,796   | 203,654   | 167,154          | 49,249          | 147,969  | 462,885          | 414,800   | 399,437                                       | 2,050,024    |
| 1990-91       | 78,926   | 425,262   | 140,894          | 49,087          | 135,772  | 515,226          | 372,603   | 366,304                                       | 2,193,851    |
| 1991-92       | 82,095   | 362,777   | 153,574          | 62,884          | 151,165  | 523,848          | 435,121   | 513,012                                       | 2,396,954    |
| 1992-93       | 91,755   | 570,333   | 186,000          | 57,435          | 255,924  | 609,212          | 661,715   | 521,724                                       | 3,068,123    |
| 1993-94       | 99,177   | 404,626   | 200,225          | 60,172          | 160,937  | 595,238          | 663,617   | 484,590                                       | 2,803,446    |
| MONTHLY       |  |   |                  |                 |  |                  |   |   |              |
| 1993 - 94 -   |  |   |                  |                 |  |                  |   |   |              |
| January       | 7,054  | 49,812  | 14,331           | 4,050           | 11,192   | 49,847           | 39,738  | 37,742  | 222,141      |
| February      | 8,085  | 16,304  | 11,506           | 3,824           | 11,513   | 36,054           | 42,092  | 38,219  | 175,580      |
| March         | 8,527  | 29,732  | 18,294           | 5,497           | 12,747   | 53,913           | 63,568  | 46,708  | 251,556      |
| April         | 7,728  | 21,937  | 24,482           | 4,970           | 11,662   | 50,301           | 54,140  | 37,155  | 225,444      |
| May           | 9,464  | 14,202  | 24,694           | 5,068           | 15,349   | 46,141           | 46,553  | 38,389  | 211,792      |
| June          | 7,769  | 39,321  | 13,241           | 5,124           | 14,553   | 40,643           | 74,663  | 34,022  | 239,770      |
| 1994 - 95 -   |  |   |                  |                 |  |                  |   |   |              |
| July          | 8,221  | 38,192  | 15,231           | 6,675           | 11,335   | 53,007           | 69,239  | 44,374  | 254,301      |
| August        | 7,771  | 43,158  | 10,385           | 5,394           | 17,333   | 55,586           | 70,264  | 52,102  | 279,021      |
| September     | 8,482  | 20,570  | 19,869           | 4,380           | 15,442   | 54,068           | 60,834  | 37,758  | 231,418      |
| October       | 14,848   | 19,447  | 11,040           | 5,653           | 13,849   | 56,688           | 90,244  | 48,815  | 269,859      |
| November      | 12,383   | 107   | 15,461           | 6,952           | 20,687   | 56,123           | 63,462  | 51,478  | 240,117      |
| December      | 9,690  | 23,355  | 10,713           | 3,751           | 12,863   | 57,091           | 51,639  | 41,310  | 220,745      |
| January       | 10,692   | 39,273  | 19,917           | 4,208           | 12,264   | 63,878           | 49,400  | 48,819  | 260,944      |
| February      | 7,921  | 50,628  | 17,350           | 3,906           | 17,540   | 53,816           | 47,178  | 41,336  | 251,590      |
| March         | 8,847  | 20,952  | 27,507           | 6,769           | 24,051   | 76,632           | 63,870  | 54,342  | 296,110      |

# TURNOVER OF RETAIL ESTABLISHMENTS BY INDUSTRY

## South Australia

| Period                                       | Food<br>retailing | Department<br>stores | Clothing and<br>soft good<br>retailing | Household<br>good<br>retailing | Recreational<br>good<br>retailing | Other<br>retailing | Hospitality<br>and<br>services | Total   |
|--|-------------------|----------------------|--|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|---------|
| ANNUAL (\$ million)                          |                   |                      |  |                                |                                   |                    |                                |         |
| 1985-86                                      | 2,086.1           | 833.3                | 404.8                                  | 607.6                          | 226.0                             | 312.4              | 938.0                          | 5,408.2 |
| 1986-87                                      | 2,240.3           | 893.8                | 396.8                                  | 578.3                          | 229.7                             | 332.3              | 989.5                          | 5,660.7 |
| 1987-88                                      | 2,378.5           | 951.2                | 416.7                                  | 634.5                          | 237.5                             | 367.0              | 1,082.7                        | 6,068.1 |
| 1988-89                                      | 2,534.9           | 971.8                | 462.2                                  | 695.8                          | 268.5                             | 420.7              | 1,178.7                        | 6,532.6 |
| 1989-90                                      | 2,679.8           | 1,041.1              | 521.1                                  | 739.5                          | 291.6                             | 467.1              | 1,212.9                        | 6,953.1 |
| 1990-91                                      | 2,978.2           | 1,069.0              | 543.9                                  | 738.1                          | 303.9                             | 497.7              | 1,312.6                        | 7,443.4 |
| 1991-92                                      | 3,163.1           | 1,087.4              | 466.5                                  | 758.8                          | 278.7                             | 515.7              | 1,370.6                        | 7,640.8 |
| 1992-93                                      | 3,018.5           | 1,101.5              | 434.2                                  | 783.3                          | 311.2                             | 617.4              | 1,244.7                        | 7,510.8 |
| 1993-94                                      | 3,152.3           | 1,107.8              | 466.1                                  | 849.2                          | 354.9                             | 639.6              | 1,277.8                        | 7,847.7 |
| PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR         |                   |                      |  |                                |                                   |                    |                                |         |
| 1986-87                                      | 7.4               | 7.3                  | -2.0                                   | -4.8                           | 1.6                               | 6.4                | 5.5                            | 4.7     |
| 1987-88                                      | 6.2               | 6.4                  | 5.0                                    | 9.7                            | 3.4                               | 10.4               | 9.4                            | 7.2     |
| 1988-89                                      | 6.6               | 2.2                  | 10.9                                   | 9.7                            | 13.1                              | 14.6               | 8.9                            | 7.7     |
| 1989-90                                      | 5.7               | 7.1                  | 12.7                                   | 6.3                            | 8.6                               | 11.0               | 2.9                            | 6.4     |
| 1990-91                                      | 11.1              | 2.7                  | 4.4                                    | -0.2                           | 4.2                               | 6.6                | 8.2                            | 7.1     |
| 1991-92                                      | 6.2               | 1.7                  | -14.2                                  | 2.8                            | -8.3                              | 3.6                | 4.4                            | 2.7     |
| 1992-93                                      | -4.6              | 1.3                  | -6.9                                   | 3.2                            | 11.7                              | 19.7               | -9.2                           | -1.7    |
| 1993-94                                      | 4.4               | 0.6                  | 7.3                                    | 8.4                            | 14.0                              | 3.6                | 2.7                            | 4.5     |
| MONTHLY, ORIGINAL (\$ million)               |                   |                      |  |                                |                                   |                    |                                |         |
| 1993 - 94 -                                  |                   |                      |  |                                |                                   |                    |                                |         |
| January                                      | 255.9             | 76.7                 | 34.1                                   | 70.1                           | 31.3                              | 50.1               | 110.7                          | 628.9   |
| February                                     | 245.6             | 71.1                 | 30.0                                   | 64.3                           | 28.8                              | 49.0               | 104.3                          | 593.1   |
| March  | 278.1             | 81.9                 | 38.2                                   | 73.8                           | 28.8                              | 52.5               | 112.0                          | 685.3   |
| April  | 255.9             | 86.5                 | 44.7                                   | 64.8                           | 26.2                              | 50.5               | 101.1                          | 629.7   |
| May  | 253.9             | 91.3                 | 41.0                                   | 68.0                           | 25.6                              | 52.4               | 102.4                          | 634.6   |
| June   | 251.1             | 90.7                 | 39.5                                   | 70.7                           | 25.3                              | 52.0               | 95.6                           | 624.9   |
| 1994 - 95 -                                  |                   |                      |  |                                |                                   |                    |                                |         |
| July   | 264.3             | 83.8                 | 38.5                                   | 68.6                           | 27.4                              | 54.3               | 110.0                          | 646.9   |
| August                                       | 262.4             | 84.6                 | 37.7                                   | 69.1                           | 26.7                              | 57.6               | 111.9                          | 650.0   |
| September                                    | 266.5             | 87.4                 | 41.3                                   | 67.6                           | 26.0                              | 60.3               | 121.3                          | 670.4   |
| October                                      | 275.6             | 93.3                 | 43.6                                   | 73.2                           | 28.2                              | 59.1               | 127.4                          | 700.4   |
| November                                     | 276.9             | 103.5                | 43.6                                   | 78.0                           | 30.5                              | 63.0               | 128.0                          | 723.5   |
| December                                     | 332.5             | 175.2                | 64.0                                   | 88.7                           | 45.7                              | 81.4               | 154.5                          | 942.0   |
| January                                      | 275.2             | 74.0                 | 40.1                                   | 72.0                           | 28.9                              | 55.5               | 137.1                          | 682.8   |
| February                                     | 263.4             | 68.6                 | 34.7                                   | 63.5                           | 27.3                              | 54.6               | 127.7                          | 639.8   |
| March  | 292.2             | 85.7                 | 43.1                                   | 71.7                           | 29.9                              | 62.0               | 137.7                          | 722.3   |
| MONTHLY, TREND (\$ million)                  |                   |                      |  |                                |                                   |                    |                                |         |
| 1993 - 94 -                                  |                   |                      |  |                                |                                   |                    |                                |         |
| January                                      | 265.2             | 92.0                 | 39.6                                   | 72.4                           | 30.8                              | 53.4               | 108.5                          | 662.0   |
| February                                     | 264.7             | 92.3                 | 39.8                                   | 72.6                           | 29.9                              | 53.8               | 108.5                          | 661.7   |
| March  | 263.5             | 92.6                 | 39.8                                   | 72.7                           | 29.0                              | 54.3               | 107.8                          | 659.7   |
| April  | 262.4             | 92.9                 | 39.6                                   | 72.4                           | 28.2                              | 54.8               | 107.5                          | 657.7   |
| May  | 262.3             | 93.2                 | 39.4                                   | 71.7                           | 27.6                              | 55.6               | 108.5                          | 658.2   |
| June   | 263.5             | 93.5                 | 39.3                                   | 71.1                           | 27.4                              | 56.6               | 110.9                          | 662.3   |
| 1994 - 95 -                                  |                   |                      |  |                                |                                   |                    |                                |         |
| July   | 265.6             | 94.0                 | 39.6                                   | 70.7                           | 27.6                              | 57.7               | 114.2                          | 669.3   |
| August                                       | 268.3             | 94.3                 | 40.3                                   | 70.7                           | 28.1                              | 58.7               | 117.5                          | 677.9   |
| September                                    | 271.5             | 94.2                 | 41.7                                   | 71.0                           | 28.8                              | 59.2               | 120.5                          | 686.8   |
| October                                      | 274.6             | 93.6                 | 43.2                                   | 71.4                           | 29.4                              | 59.3               | 123.0                          | 694.4   |
| November                                     | 277.2             | 92.9                 | 44.5                                   | 71.7                           | 30.0                              | 59.4               | 125.3                          | 700.9   |
| December                                     | 279.5             | 92.5                 | 45.2                                   | 72.1                           | 30.3                              | 59.7               | 127.7                          | 706.9   |
| January                                      | 281.5             | 92.4                 | 45.5                                   | 72.3                           | 30.3                              | 60.3               | 130.2                          | 712.5   |
| February                                     | 282.8             | 92.7                 | 45.6                                   | 72.5                           | 30.0                              | 61.1               | 132.7                          | 717.3   |
| March  | 283.6             | 93.4                 | 45.3                                   | 72.6                           | 29.7                              | 61.9               | 134.6                          | 721.2   |
| PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS MONTH, TREND |                   |                      |  |                                |                                   |                    |                                |         |
| 1993 - 94 -                                  |                   |                      |  |                                |                                   |                    |                                |         |
| March  | -0.5              | 0.3                  | 0.0                                    | 0.1                            | -3.0                              | 0.9                | -0.6                           | -0.3    |
| April  | -0.4              | 0.3                  | -0.5                                   | -0.4                           | -2.8                              | 0.9                | -0.3                           | -0.3    |
| May  | 0.0               | 0.3                  | -0.5                                   | -1.0                           | -2.1                              | 1.5                | 0.9                            | 0.1     |
| June   | 0.5               | 0.3                  | -0.3                                   | -0.8                           | -0.7                              | 1.8                | 2.2                            | 0.6     |
| 1994 - 95 -                                  |                   |                      |  |                                |                                   |                    |                                |         |
| July   | 0.8               | 0.5                  | 0.8                                    | -0.6                           | 0.7                               | 1.9                | 3.0                            | 1.1     |
| August                                       | 1.0               | 0.3                  | 1.8                                    | 0.0                            | 1.8                               | 1.7                | 2.9                            | 1.3     |
| September                                    | 1.2               | -0.1                 | 3.5                                    | 0.4                            | 2.5                               | 0.9                | 2.6                            | 1.3     |
| October                                      | 1.1               | -0.6                 | 3.6                                    | 0.6                            | 2.1                               | 0.2                | 2.1                            | 1.1     |
| November                                     | 0.9               | -0.7                 | 3.0                                    | 0.4                            | 2.0                               | 0.2                | 1.9                            | 0.9     |
| December                                     | 0.8               | -0.4                 | 1.6                                    | 0.6                            | 1.0                               | 0.5                | 1.9                            | 0.9     |
| January                                      | 0.7               | -0.1                 | 0.7                                    | 0.3                            | 0.0                               | 1.0                | 2.0                            | 0.8     |
| February                                     | 0.5               | 0.3                  | 0.2                                    | 0.3                            | -1.0                              | 1.3                | 1.9                            | 0.7     |
| March  | 0.3               | 0.8                  | -0.7                                   | 0.1                            | -1.0                              | 1.3                | 1.4                            | 0.5     |

# NEW MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS BY TYPE OF VEHICLE

## South Australia

| Period                                | Original                |                |        | Seasonally adjusted     |                |       | Trend estimate          |                |       |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|--------|-------------------------|----------------|-------|-------------------------|----------------|-------|
|                                       | Cars and station wagons | Other vehicles | Total  | Cars and station wagons | Other vehicles | Total | Cars and station wagons | Other vehicles | Total |
| ANNUAL                                |                         |                |        |                         |                |       |                         |                |       |
| 1983-84                               | 41,204                  | 9,769          | 50,973 | ..                      | ..             | ..    | ..                      | ..             | ..    |
| 1984-85                               | 45,809                  | 11,795         | 57,604 |                         |                |       |                         |                |       |
| 1985-86                               | 40,840                  | 9,620          | 50,460 |                         |                |       |                         |                |       |
| 1986-87                               | 29,788                  | 6,430          | 36,218 |                         |                |       |                         |                |       |
| 1987-88                               | 29,915                  | 5,775          | 35,690 |                         |                |       |                         |                |       |
| 1988-89                               | 31,920                  | 6,816          | 38,736 |                         |                |       |                         |                |       |
| 1989-90                               | 35,211                  | 7,808          | 43,019 |                         |                |       |                         |                |       |
| 1990-91                               | 34,753                  | 6,619          | 41,372 |                         |                |       |                         |                |       |
| 1991-92                               | 32,351                  | 5,333          | 37,684 |                         |                |       |                         |                |       |
| 1992-93                               | 32,894                  | 5,577          | 38,471 |                         |                |       |                         |                |       |
| 1993-94                               | 32,806                  | 5,781          | 38,587 |                         |                |       |                         |                |       |
| PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR  |                         |                |        |                         |                |       |                         |                |       |
| 1984-85                               | 10.1                    | 17.2           | 11.5   | ..                      | ..             | ..    | ..                      | ..             | ..    |
| 1985-86                               | -12.2                   | -22.6          | -14.2  |                         |                |       |                         |                |       |
| 1986-87                               | -37.1                   | -49.6          | -39.3  |                         |                |       |                         |                |       |
| 1987-88                               | 0.4                     | -11.3          | -1.5   |                         |                |       |                         |                |       |
| 1988-89                               | 6.3                     | 15.3           | 7.9    |                         |                |       |                         |                |       |
| 1989-90                               | 9.3                     | 12.7           | 10.0   |                         |                |       |                         |                |       |
| 1990-91                               | -1.3                    | -18.0          | -4.0   |                         |                |       |                         |                |       |
| 1991-92                               | -7.4                    | -24.1          | -9.8   |                         |                |       |                         |                |       |
| 1992-93                               | 1.7                     | 4.4            | 2.0    |                         |                |       |                         |                |       |
| 1993-94                               | -0.3                    | 3.5            | 0.3    |                         |                |       |                         |                |       |
| MONTHLY                               |                         |                |        |                         |                |       |                         |                |       |
| 1993 - 94 -                           |                         |                |        |                         |                |       |                         |                |       |
| January                               | 1,940                   | 299            | 2,239  | 2,643                   | 411            | 3,054 | 2,708                   | 443            | 3,151 |
| February                              | 2,769                   | 418            | 3,187  | 3,003                   | 443            | 3,447 | 2,730                   | 462            | 3,192 |
| March                                 | 3,068                   | 577            | 3,645  | 2,720                   | 503            | 3,223 | 2,748                   | 492            | 3,239 |
| April                                 | 2,219                   | 432            | 2,651  | 2,557                   | 488            | 3,045 | 2,756                   | 526            | 3,282 |
| May                                   | 2,672                   | 563            | 3,235  | 2,697                   | 549            | 3,247 | 2,769                   | 555            | 3,324 |
| June                                  | 3,196                   | 826            | 4,022  | 2,951                   | 696            | 3,648 | 2,788                   | 567            | 3,354 |
| 1994 - 95 -                           |                         |                |        |                         |                |       |                         |                |       |
| July                                  | 2,870                   | 523            | 3,393  | 2,902                   | 527            | 3,428 | 2,803                   | 558            | 3,362 |
| August                                | 2,869                   | 513            | 3,382  | 2,686                   | 522            | 3,208 | 2,820                   | 540            | 3,360 |
| September                             | 3,140                   | 479            | 3,619  | 2,904                   | 489            | 3,393 | 2,841                   | 523            | 3,364 |
| October                               | 2,883                   | 488            | 3,371  | 2,797                   | 502            | 3,300 | 2,867                   | 515            | 3,382 |
| November                              | 3,144                   | 589            | 3,733  | 2,891                   | 518            | 3,410 | 2,912                   | 522            | 3,434 |
| December                              | 2,941                   | 549            | 3,490  | 2,914                   | 545            | 3,459 | 2,974                   | 539            | 3,513 |
| January                               | 2,436                   | 440            | 2,876  | 3,177                   | 596            | 3,773 | 3,032                   | 555            | 3,587 |
| February                              | 2,862                   | 502            | 3,364  | 3,104                   | 532            | 3,636 | 3,081                   | 567            | 3,648 |
| March                                 | 3,334                   | 692            | 4,026  | 3,046                   | 587            | 3,633 | 3,108                   | 578            | 3,686 |
| PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS MONTH |                         |                |        |                         |                |       |                         |                |       |
| 1993 - 94 -                           |                         |                |        |                         |                |       |                         |                |       |
| February                              | 42.7                    | 39.8           | 42.3   | 13.6                    | 7.8            | 12.9  | 0.8                     | 4.3            | 1.3   |
| March                                 | 10.8                    | 38.0           | 14.4   | -9.4                    | 13.5           | -6.5  | 0.7                     | 6.5            | 1.5   |
| April                                 | -27.7                   | -25.1          | -27.3  | -6.0                    | -3.0           | -5.5  | 0.3                     | 6.9            | 1.3   |
| May                                   | 20.4                    | 30.3           | 22.0   | 5.5                     | 12.5           | 6.6   | 0.5                     | 5.5            | 1.3   |
| June                                  | 19.6                    | 46.7           | 24.3   | 9.4                     | 26.8           | 12.3  | 0.7                     | 2.2            | 0.9   |
| 1994 - 95 -                           |                         |                |        |                         |                |       |                         |                |       |
| July                                  | -10.2                   | -36.7          | -15.6  | -1.7                    | -24.3          | -6.0  | 0.5                     | -1.6           | 0.2   |
| August                                | 0.0                     | -1.9           | -0.3   | -7.4                    | -0.9           | -6.4  | 0.6                     | -3.2           | -0.1  |
| September                             | 9.4                     | -6.6           | 7.0    | 8.1                     | -6.3           | 5.8   | 0.7                     | -3.1           | 0.1   |
| October                               | -8.2                    | 1.9            | -6.9   | -3.7                    | 2.7            | -2.7  | 0.9                     | -1.5           | 0.5   |
| November                              | 9.1                     | 20.7           | 10.7   | 3.4                     | 3.2            | 3.3   | 1.6                     | 1.4            | 1.5   |
| December                              | -6.5                    | -6.8           | -6.5   | 0.8                     | 5.2            | 1.4   | 2.1                     | 3.3            | 2.3   |
| January                               | -17.2                   | -19.9          | -17.6  | 9.0                     | 9.4            | 9.1   | 2.0                     | 3.0            | 2.1   |
| February                              | 17.5                    | 14.1           | 17.0   | -2.3                    | -10.7          | -3.6  | 1.6                     | 2.2            | 1.7   |
| March                                 | 16.5                    | 37.8           | 19.7   | -1.9                    | 10.3           | -0.1  | 0.9                     | 1.9            | 1.0   |

**ACTUAL PRIVATE NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY SELECTED INDUSTRY AND TYPE OF ASSET**  
**South Australia**

| Period                                  | Industry |               |                           | Total   | Type of asset                |                                |
|---|----------|---------------|---------------------------|---------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
|   | Mining   | Manufacturing | Other selected industries |         | New buildings and structures | Equipment, plant and machinery |
| ANNUAL (\$ million)                     |          |               |                           |         |                              |                                |
| 1989-90                                 | 87.0     | 726.7         | 973.5                     | 1,787.1 | 633.1                        | 1,154.0                        |
| 1990-91                                 | 122.1    | 742.2         | 987.5                     | 1,851.7 | 627.8                        | 1,223.9                        |
| 1991-92                                 | 193.4    | 763.4         | 668.4                     | 1,625.3 | 392.1                        | 1,233.2                        |
| 1992-93                                 | 218.2    | 564.0         | 739.3                     | 1,521.6 | 416.2                        | 1,105.4                        |
| 1993-94                                 | 97.2     | 609.8         | 783.9                     | 1,491.0 | 363.7                        | 1,127.1                        |
| PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR    |          |               |                           |         |                              |                                |
| 1990-91                                 | 40.3     | 2.1           | 1.4                       | 3.6     | -0.8                         | 6.1                            |
| 1991-92                                 | 58.4     | 2.9           | -32.3                     | -12.2   | -37.5                        | 0.8                            |
| 1992-93                                 | 12.8     | -26.1         | 10.6                      | -6.4    | 6.1                          | -10.4                          |
| 1993-94                                 | -55.5    | 8.1           | 6.0                       | -2.0    | -12.6                        | 2.0                            |
| QUARTERLY (\$ million)                  |          |               |                           |         |                              |                                |
| 1992 - 93 -                             |          |               |                           |         |                              |                                |
| December                                | 65.1     | 140.8         | 245.5                     | 451.5   | 147.8                        | 303.7                          |
| March                                   | 52.5     | 139.5         | 206.7                     | 398.7   | 126.8                        | 271.8                          |
| June                                    | 49.4     | 147.2         | 143.2                     | 339.8   | 57.0                         | 282.8                          |
| 1993 - 94 -                             |          |               |                           |         |                              |                                |
| September                               | 37.0     | 134.7         | 187.0                     | 358.7   | 94.0                         | 264.7                          |
| December                                | 27.9     | 136.3         | 187.1                     | 351.3   | 74.7                         | 276.5                          |
| March                                   | 10.0     | 134.9         | 230.1                     | 375.1   | 124.5                        | 250.6                          |
| June                                    | 22.3     | 203.9         | 179.7                     | 405.9   | 70.5                         | 335.3                          |
| 1994 - 95 -                             |          |               |                           |         |                              |                                |
| September                               | 18.5     | 130.4         | 326.4                     | 475.3   | 151.8                        | 323.5                          |
| December                                | 44.4     | 221.4         | 369.9                     | 635.7   | 78.7                         | 557.0                          |
| PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS QUARTER |          |               |                           |         |                              |                                |
| 1992 - 93 -                             |          |               |                           |         |                              |                                |
| March                                   | -19.4    | -0.9          | -15.8                     | -11.7   | -14.2                        | -10.5                          |
| June                                    | -5.9     | 5.5           | -30.7                     | -14.8   | -55.0                        | 4.0                            |
| 1993 - 94 -                             |          |               |                           |         |                              |                                |
| September                               | -25.1    | -8.5          | 30.6                      | 5.6     | 64.9                         | -6.4                           |
| December                                | -24.6    | 1.2           | 0.1                       | -2.1    | -20.5                        | 4.5                            |
| March                                   | -64.2    | -1.0          | 23.0                      | 6.8     | 66.7                         | -9.4                           |
| June                                    | 123.0    | 51.1          | -21.9                     | 8.2     | -43.4                        | 33.8                           |
| 1994 - 95 -                             |          |               |                           |         |                              |                                |
| September                               | -17.0    | -36.0         | 81.6                      | 17.1    | 115.3                        | -3.5                           |
| December                                | 140.0    | 69.8          | 13.3                      | 33.7    | -48.2                        | 72.2                           |



# TOURIST ACCOMMODATION

## South Australia

| Period                                  | Hotels, motels, guest houses<br>with facilities |                                 |                     | Holiday flats, units and houses         |                                 |                     | Short-term caravan parks |                                 |                     |
|---|---|---------------------------------|---------------------|---|---------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|
|   | Number of<br>guest<br>rooms                     | Room<br>occupancy<br>(per cent) | Takings<br>(\$'000) | Number of<br>flats, units<br>and houses | Unit<br>occupancy<br>(per cent) | Takings<br>(\$'000) | Number of<br>sites       | Site<br>occupancy<br>(per cent) | Takings<br>(\$'000) |
| ANNUAL                                  |   |                                 |                     |   |                                 |                     |                          |                                 |                     |
| 1986-87                                 | 8,497   | 52.9                            | 79,254              | n.a.                                    | n.a.                            | n.a.                | 18,773                   | 18.1                            | 12,647              |
| 1987-88                                 | 9,156   | 50.8                            | 89,321              | 1,105                                   | 45.4                            | 8,109               | 18,926                   | 17.8                            | 13,248              |
| 1988-89                                 | 9,396   | 50.5                            | 102,737             | 1,171                                   | 45.8                            | 9,792               | 19,195                   | 17.4                            | 14,711              |
| 1989-90                                 | 10,316  | 52.0                            | 121,788             | 1,113                                   | 48.4                            | 11,381              | 19,847                   | 18.4                            | 17,174              |
| 1990-91                                 | 10,445  | 48.0                            | 128,634             | 1,210                                   | 43.9                            | 10,339              | 19,794                   | 17.7                            | 18,102              |
| 1991-92                                 | 10,745  | 46.6                            | 130,578             | 1,302                                   | 40.4                            | 10,492              | 20,601                   | 17.1                            | 19,111              |
| 1992-93                                 | 10,632  | 46.5                            | 129,882             | 1,338                                   | 40.2                            | 10,740              | 20,038                   | 22.3                            | 20,113              |
| 1993-94                                 | 10,597  | 48.6                            | 138,782             | 1,338                                   | 40.9                            | 11,700              | 19,591                   | 23.7                            | 20,790              |
| PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR    |   |                                 |                     |   |                                 |                     |                          |                                 |                     |
| 1987-88                                 | 7.8   | ..                              | 12.7                | n.a.                                    | ..                              | n.a.                | 0.8                      | ..                              | 4.8                 |
| 1988-89                                 | 2.6   | ..                              | 15.0                | 6.0                                     | ..                              | 20.8                | 1.4                      | ..                              | 11.0                |
| 1989-90                                 | 9.8   | ..                              | 18.5                | -5.0                                    | ..                              | 16.2                | 3.4                      | ..                              | 16.7                |
| 1990-91                                 | 1.3   | ..                              | 5.6                 | 8.7                                     | ..                              | -9.2                | -0.3                     | ..                              | 5.4                 |
| 1991-92                                 | 2.9   | ..                              | 1.5                 | 7.6                                     | ..                              | 1.5                 | 4.1                      | ..                              | 5.6                 |
| 1992-93                                 | -1.1  | ..                              | -0.5                | 2.8                                     | ..                              | 2.4                 | -2.7                     | ..                              | 5.2                 |
| 1993-94                                 | -0.3  | ..                              | 6.9                 | 0.0                                     | ..                              | 8.9                 | -2.2                     | ..                              | 3.4                 |
| QUARTERLY                               |   |                                 |                     |   |                                 |                     |                          |                                 |                     |
| 1992 - 93 -                             |   |                                 |                     |   |                                 |                     |                          |                                 |                     |
| December                                | 10,763  | 47.8                            | 36,063              | 1,323                                   | 40.0                            | 2,905               | 20,462                   | 22.1                            | 5,167               |
| March                                   | 10,739  | 47.0                            | 32,210              | 1,313                                   | 49.9                            | 3,263               | 20,159                   | 26.6                            | 6,084               |
| June                                    | 10,632  | 46.2                            | 31,175              | 1,338                                   | 36.8                            | 2,359               | 20,038                   | 22.8                            | 4,961               |
| 1993 - 94 -                             |   |                                 |                     |   |                                 |                     |                          |                                 |                     |
| September                               | 10,604  | 46.8                            | 33,133              | 1,362                                   | 35.2                            | 2,551               | 19,992                   | 19.1                            | 3,916               |
| December                                | 10,650  | 50.3                            | 38,096              | 1,377                                   | 41.6                            | 3,290               | 19,925                   | 23.4                            | 5,370               |
| March                                   | 10,625  | 50.0                            | 35,007              | 1,321                                   | 50.9                            | 3,546               | 19,606                   | 28.4                            | 6,611               |
| June                                    | 10,597  | 47.4                            | 32,547              | 1,338                                   | 36.1                            | 2,313               | 19,591                   | 24.3                            | 4,893               |
| 1994 - 95 -                             |   |                                 |                     |   |                                 |                     |                          |                                 |                     |
| September                               | 10,560  | 48.7                            | 34,734              | 1,326                                   | 34.0                            | 2,418               | 19,988                   | 20.9                            | 4,211               |
| December                                | 10,608  | 53.0                            | 41,265              | 1,360                                   | 40.0                            | 3,000               | 20,126                   | 24.5                            | 5,681               |
| PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS QUARTER |   |                                 |                     |   |                                 |                     |                          |                                 |                     |
| 1992 - 93 -                             |   |                                 |                     |   |                                 |                     |                          |                                 |                     |
| March                                   | -0.2  | ..                              | -10.7               | -0.8                                    | ..                              | 12.3                | -1.5                     | ..                              | 17.7                |
| June                                    | -1.0  | ..                              | -3.2                | 1.9                                     | ..                              | -27.7               | -0.6                     | ..                              | -18.5               |
| 1993 - 94 -                             |   |                                 |                     |   |                                 |                     |                          |                                 |                     |
| September                               | -0.3  | ..                              | 6.3                 | 1.8                                     | ..                              | 8.1                 | -0.2                     | ..                              | -21.1               |
| December                                | 0.4   | ..                              | 15.0                | 1.1                                     | ..                              | 29.0                | -0.3                     | ..                              | 37.1                |
| March                                   | -0.2  | ..                              | -8.1                | -4.1                                    | ..                              | 7.8                 | -1.6                     | ..                              | 23.1                |
| June                                    | -0.3  | ..                              | -7.0                | 1.3                                     | ..                              | -34.8               | -0.1                     | ..                              | -26.0               |
| 1994 - 95 -                             |   |                                 |                     |   |                                 |                     |                          |                                 |                     |
| September                               | -0.3  | ..                              | 6.7                 | -0.9                                    | ..                              | 4.5                 | 2.0                      | ..                              | -13.9               |
| December                                | 0.5   | ..                              | 18.8                | 2.6                                     | ..                              | 24.1                | 0.7                      | ..                              | 34.9                |

# BUILDING APPROVALS

## South Australia

| Period                                       | Number of dwelling units |        |                |        | Value (\$ million)       |   |                          |                |
|--|--------------------------|--------|----------------|--------|--------------------------|---|--------------------------|----------------|
|  | Houses                   |        | Total(a)       |        | New residential building | Alterations and additions to residential building | Non-residential building | Total building |
|  | Private sector           | Total  | Private sector | Total  |                          |   |                          |                |
| ANNUAL                                       |                          |        |                |        |                          |   |                          |                |
| 1986-87                                      | 5,811                    | 6,706  | 7,111          | 9,192  | 487                      | 82  | 584                      | 1,152          |
| 1987-88                                      | 6,276                    | 6,900  | 7,383          | 9,009  | 497                      | 94  | 749                      | 1,340          |
| 1988-89                                      | 7,526                    | 8,006  | 9,642          | 11,238 | 690                      | 109   | 895                      | 1,694          |
| 1989-90                                      | 7,246                    | 7,675  | 10,180         | 11,701 | 733                      | 110   | 914                      | 1,757          |
| 1990-91                                      | 8,351                    | 8,633  | 10,418         | 11,426 | 755                      | 119   | 591                      | 1,465          |
| 1991-92                                      | 8,613                    | 8,931  | 10,254         | 11,290 | 756                      | 124   | 627                      | 1,506          |
| 1992-93                                      | 9,710                    | 10,087 | 11,548         | 12,341 | 841                      | 133   | 418                      | 1,392          |
| 1993-94                                      | 9,470                    | 9,901  | 11,046         | 11,777 | 839                      | 122   | 375                      | 1,336          |
| PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR         |                          |        |                |        |                          |   |                          |                |
| 1987-88                                      | 8.0                      | 2.9    | 3.8            | -2.0   | 2.2                      | 14.6  | 28.2                     | 16.3           |
| 1988-89                                      | 19.9                     | 16.0   | 30.6           | 24.7   | 38.8                     | 16.0  | 19.5                     | 26.4           |
| 1989-90                                      | -3.7                     | -4.1   | 5.6            | 4.1    | 6.1                      | 1.2   | 2.1                      | 3.7            |
| 1990-91                                      | 15.2                     | 12.5   | 2.3            | -2.4   | 3.1                      | 8.6   | -35.4                    | -16.6          |
| 1991-92                                      | 3.1                      | 3.5    | -1.6           | -1.2   | 0.1                      | 3.9   | 6.1                      | 2.8            |
| 1992-93                                      | 12.7                     | 12.9   | 12.6           | 9.3    | 11.3                     | 7.1   | -33.2                    | -7.6           |
| 1993-94                                      | -2.5                     | -1.8   | -4.3           | -4.6   | -0.2                     | -8.0  | -10.4                    | -4.0           |
| MONTHLY, ORIGINAL                            |                          |        |                |        |                          |   |                          |                |
| 1993 - 94 -                                  |                          |        |                |        |                          |   |                          |                |
| January                                      | 574                      | 605    | 689            | 734    | 51.5                     | 9.7   | 28.0                     | 89.2           |
| February                                     | 696                      | 707    | 828            | 852    | 60.4                     | 7.9   | 40.0                     | 108.2          |
| March  | 773                      | 834    | 922            | 1,036  | 71.5                     | 10.4  | 29.6                     | 111.5          |
| April  | 671                      | 704    | 801            | 848    | 61.9                     | 10.6  | 36.1                     | 108.6          |
| May  | 879                      | 936    | 1,026          | 1,103  | 80.0                     | 10.7  | 26.7                     | 117.4          |
| June   | 866                      | 974    | 1,042          | 1,179  | 84.8                     | 10.6  | 31.3                     | 126.7          |
| 1994 - 95 -                                  |                          |        |                |        |                          |   |                          |                |
| July   | 794                      | 798    | 937            | 969    | 70.1                     | 12.0  | 33.4                     | 115.5          |
| August                                       | 897                      | 927    | 992            | 1,081  | 79.7                     | 10.9  | 32.6                     | 123.2          |
| September                                    | 863                      | 913    | 1,011          | 1,073  | 78.3                     | 13.6  | 33.1                     | 125.0          |
| October                                      | 671                      | 691    | 782            | 804    | 57.8                     | 10.3  | 26.7                     | 94.9           |
| November                                     | 796                      | 833    | 988            | 1,055  | 77.6                     | 10.5  | 30.2                     | 118.3          |
| December                                     | 578                      | 606    | 662            | 698    | 54.9                     | 9.4   | 36.2                     | 100.6          |
| January                                      | 515                      | 532    | 753            | 774    | 61.9                     | 8.0   | 23.4                     | 93.4           |
| February                                     | 553                      | 598    | 632            | 679    | 56.3                     | 7.5   | 26.8                     | 90.6           |
| March  | 681                      | 747    | 840            | 913    | 70.2                     | 12.6  | 78.1                     | 160.9          |
| MONTHLY, TREND                               |                          |        |                |        |                          |   |                          |                |
| 1993 - 94 -                                  |                          |        |                |        |                          |   |                          |                |
| January                                      | 766                      | 793    | 886            | 934    | n.a.                     | n.a.  | n.a.                     | n.a.           |
| February                                     | 760                      | 794    | 887            | 944    |                          |   |                          |                |
| March  | 756                      | 793    | 890            | 953    |                          |   |                          |                |
| April  | 756                      | 795    | 897            | 963    |                          |   |                          |                |
| May  | 763                      | 802    | 907            | 978    |                          |   |                          |                |
| June   | 773                      | 813    | 919            | 994    |                          |   |                          |                |
| 1994 - 95 -                                  |                          |        |                |        |                          |   |                          |                |
| July   | 783                      | 824    | 924            | 1,001  |                          |   |                          |                |
| August                                       | 787                      | 827    | 925            | 998    |                          |   |                          |                |
| September                                    | 779                      | 819    | 917            | 983    |                          |   |                          |                |
| October                                      | 755                      | 797    | 899            | 957    |                          |   |                          |                |
| November                                     | 724                      | 766    | 873            | 925    |                          |   |                          |                |
| December                                     | 689                      | 732    | 843            | 888    |                          |   |                          |                |
| January                                      | 658                      | 702    | 812            | 854    |                          |   |                          |                |
| February                                     | 634                      | 678    | 784            | 825    |                          |   |                          |                |
| March  | 618                      | 657    | 760            | 797    |                          |   |                          |                |
| PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS MONTH, TREND |                          |        |                |        |                          |   |                          |                |
| 1993 - 94 -                                  |                          |        |                |        |                          |   |                          |                |
| February                                     | -0.8                     | 0.1    | 0.1            | 1.1    | n.a.                     | n.a.  | n.a.                     | n.a.           |
| March  | -0.5                     | -0.1   | 0.3            | 1.0    |                          |   |                          |                |
| April  | 0.0                      | 0.3    | 0.8            | 1.0    |                          |   |                          |                |
| May  | 0.9                      | 0.9    | 1.1            | 1.6    |                          |   |                          |                |
| June   | 1.3                      | 1.4    | 1.3            | 1.6    |                          |   |                          |                |
| 1994 - 95 -                                  |                          |        |                |        |                          |   |                          |                |
| July   | 1.3                      | 1.4    | 0.5            | 0.7    |                          |   |                          |                |
| August                                       | 0.5                      | 0.4    | 0.1            | -0.3   |                          |   |                          |                |
| September                                    | -1.0                     | -1.0   | -0.9           | -1.5   |                          |   |                          |                |
| October                                      | -3.1                     | -2.7   | -2.0           | -2.6   |                          |   |                          |                |
| November                                     | -4.1                     | -3.9   | -2.9           | -3.3   |                          |   |                          |                |
| December                                     | -4.8                     | -4.4   | -3.4           | -4.0   |                          |   |                          |                |
| January                                      | -4.5                     | -4.1   | -3.7           | -3.8   |                          |   |                          |                |
| February                                     | -3.6                     | -3.4   | -3.4           | -3.4   |                          |   |                          |                |
| March  | -2.5                     | -3.1   | -3.1           | -3.4   |                          |   |                          |                |

(a) Total includes the number of self-contained dwelling units approved as part of the construction of non-residential building and alterations to existing buildings (including conversions to dwelling units).

# **BUILDING COMMENCEMENTS** **South Australia**

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| Period      | Number of dwelling units |       |                |        | Value (\$ million)       |   |                          |       |                |
|-------------|--------------------------|-------|----------------|--------|--------------------------|---|--------------------------|-------|----------------|
|             | Houses                   |       | Total          |        | New residential building | Alterations and additions to residential building | Non-residential building |       | Total building |
|             | Private sector           | Total | Private sector | Total  |                          |   | Private sector           | Total |                |
|             |                          |       |                |        |                          |   |                          |       |                |
| ANNUAL      |                          |       |                |        |                          |   |                          |       |                |
| 1983-84     | 7,666                    | 8,642 | 9,854          | 12,200 | 506                      | 50  | 190                      | 342   | 898            |
| 1984-85     | 8,502                    | 9,641 | 11,728         | 14,205 | 660                      | 66  | 346                      | 510   | 1,236          |
| 1985-86     | 6,334                    | 7,267 | 8,805          | 10,705 | 559                      | 81  | 431                      | 602   | 1,242          |
| 1986-87     | 5,345                    | 6,458 | 6,524          | 8,913  | 476                      | 75  | 430                      | 674   | 1,225          |
| 1987-88     | 5,664                    | 6,388 | 6,709          | 8,443  | 473                      | 92  | 527                      | 719   | 1,284          |
| 1988-89     | 7,132                    | 7,580 | 8,822          | 10,235 | 642                      | 104   | 760                      | 964   | 1,710          |
| 1989-90     | 6,734                    | 7,174 | 9,412          | 10,936 | 718                      | 112   | 670                      | 934   | 1,764          |
| 1990-91     | 7,863                    | 8,177 | 9,673          | 10,821 | 728                      | 118   | 367                      | 554   | 1,400          |
| 1991-92     | 8,036                    | 8,344 | 9,608          | 10,671 | 727                      | 125   | 344                      | 608   | 1,460          |
| 1992-93     | 9,123                    | 9,417 | 10,882         | 11,636 | 816                      | 122   | 205                      | 459   | 1,397          |
| 1993-94     | 9,159                    | 9,590 | 10,693         | 11,481 | 845                      | 126   | 210                      | 373   | 1,345          |
| QUARTERLY   |                          |       |                |        |                          |   |                          |       |                |
| 1992 - 93 - |                          |       |                |        |                          |   |                          |       |                |
| December    | 2,325                    | 2,356 | 2,802          | 2,907  | 206.4                    | 32.3  | 56.5                     | 148.2 | 386.9          |
| March       | 2,136                    | 2,204 | 2,704          | 2,910  | 203.4                    | 23.9  | 37.8                     | 88.1  | 315.5          |
| June        | 2,369                    | 2,504 | 2,795          | 3,024  | 216.3                    | 38.2  | 46.3                     | 108.4 | 363.0          |
| 1993 - 94 - |                          |       |                |        |                          |   |                          |       |                |
| September   | 2,611                    | 2,776 | 2,987          | 3,254  | 238.4                    | 30.9  | 42.6                     | 75.3  | 344.5          |
| December    | 2,336                    | 2,395 | 2,672          | 2,798  | 205.4                    | 35.6  | 60.9                     | 106.6 | 347.7          |
| March       | 1,977                    | 2,023 | 2,406          | 2,549  | 188.1                    | 29.8  | 51.1                     | 97.6  | 315.4          |
| June        | 2,235                    | 2,396 | 2,628          | 2,880  | 213.4                    | 30.2  | 55.2                     | 93.5  | 337.1          |
| 1994 - 95 - |                          |       |                |        |                          |   |                          |       |                |
| September   | 2,413                    | 2,526 | 2,855          | 3,083  | 235.6                    | 34.3  | 57.0                     | 101.8 | 371.7          |
| December    | 2,296                    | 2,428 | 2,663          | 2,827  | 219.8                    | 32.0  | 51.3                     | 97.1  | 348.9          |

## **VALUE OF BUILDING WORK DONE DURING PERIOD** **South Australia**

| Period                 | New residential building |       |                |       | Alterations and additions to residential buildings | Non-residential building |       | Total building |         |
|------------------------|--------------------------|-------|----------------|-------|--|--------------------------|-------|----------------|---------|
|                        | Houses                   |       | Total          |       |  | Private sector           | Total | Private sector | Total   |
|                        | Private sector           | Total | Private sector | Total |  |                          |       |                |         |
|                        |                          |       |                |       |  |                          |       |                |         |
| ANNUAL (\$ million)    |                          |       |                |       |  |                          |       |                |         |
| 1983-84                | 312.0                    | 348.0 | 385.2          | 464.5 | 48.3   | 194.8                    | 327.0 | 627.0          | 839.8   |
| 1984-85                | 414.4                    | 456.3 | 542.3          | 626.7 | 65.6   | 285.1                    | 433.4 | 891.6          | 1,125.7 |
| 1985-86                | 369.2                    | 411.5 | 497.9          | 585.1 | 78.7   | 413.6                    | 589.7 | 988.5          | 1,253.4 |
| 1986-87                | 310.0                    | 364.8 | 385.4          | 492.2 | 78.4   | 447.9                    | 645.2 | 908.1          | 1,215.8 |
| 1987-88                | 343.8                    | 381.1 | 391.4          | 467.7 | 88.2   | 551.8                    | 811.2 | 1,027.0        | 1,367.1 |
| 1988-89                | 450.2                    | 489.2 | 538.8          | 597.0 | 104.1  | 657.5                    | 902.2 | 1,297.3        | 1,603.3 |
| 1989-90                | 493.8                    | 518.9 | 657.4          | 724.9 | 116.3  | 743.2                    | 988.6 | 1,514.0        | 1,829.8 |
| 1990-91                | 578.3                    | 600.2 | 713.6          | 782.3 | 122.0  | 621.9                    | 876.6 | 1,455.4        | 1,780.8 |
| 1991-92                | 591.5                    | 607.5 | 693.4          | 748.5 | 125.1  | 310.3                    | 484.1 | 1,127.5        | 1,357.6 |
| 1992-93                | 647.2                    | 660.9 | 743.8          | 780.6 | 127.1  | 297.9                    | 570.9 | 1,166.3        | 1,478.6 |
| 1993-94                | 719.1                    | 746.4 | 828.9          | 876.3 | 132.0  | 217.7                    | 462.1 | 1,177.2        | 1,470.4 |
| QUARTERLY (\$ million) |                          |       |                |       |  |                          |       |                |         |
| 1992 - 93 -            |                          |       |                |       |  |                          |       |                |         |
| December               | 163.3                    | 166.3 | 185.9          | 194.8 | 34.7   | 91.5                     | 171.4 | 312.1          | 400.9   |
| March                  | 155.0                    | 157.2 | 182.7          | 189.4 | 25.6   | 56.0                     | 111.3 | 264.1          | 326.3   |
| June                   | 171.3                    | 176.6 | 200.6          | 211.8 | 35.9   | 62.3                     | 140.9 | 296.6          | 388.7   |
| 1993 - 94 -            |                          |       |                |       |  |                          |       |                |         |
| September              | 197.3                    | 203.6 | 224.0          | 235.7 | 32.3   | 59.7                     | 134.7 | 315.9          | 402.8   |
| December               | 178.8                    | 187.6 | 208.4          | 222.9 | 36.5   | 54.6                     | 119.6 | 299.4          | 378.9   |
| March                  | 167.4                    | 172.2 | 192.3          | 202.3 | 32.4   | 50.2                     | 96.8  | 274.3          | 331.5   |
| June                   | 175.7                    | 182.9 | 204.2          | 215.3 | 30.8   | 53.1                     | 111.0 | 287.5          | 357.2   |
| 1994 - 95 -            |                          |       |                |       |  |                          |       |                |         |
| September              | 185.6                    | 193.5 | 215.3          | 230.8 | 37.4   | 63.7                     | 113.5 | 316.1          | 381.8   |
| December               | 186.0                    | 196.4 | 215.7          | 231.0 | 35.1   | 61.3                     | 115.9 | 310.7          | 382.1   |

**PRODUCTION, SELECTED COMMODITIES**  
**South Australia**

| <i>Period</i>  | <i>Footwear<br/>(pairs)</i> | <i>Gas<br/>(m megajoules)</i> | <i>Electricity<br/>(including NT)<br/>('000 kWh)</i> | <i>Coal<br/>(tonnes)</i> | <i>Sawn<br/>timber(a)<br/>(m3)</i> |
|--|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|--|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>ANNUAL</b>  |                             |                               |  |                          |                                    |
| 1985-86  | 2,209,898                   | 86,893                        | 9,606,839  | 2,181,713                | 221,803                            |
| 1986-87  | 2,147,468                   | 82,550                        | 9,666,694  | 2,435,010                | 194,458                            |
| 1987-88  | 1,982,301                   | 83,101                        | 10,137,144   | 2,566,347                | 254,453                            |
| 1988-89  | 2,062,085                   | 86,546                        | 10,588,647   | 2,674,215                | 292,335                            |
| 1989-90  | 1,749,112                   | 85,070                        | 10,665,118   | 2,921,861                | 228,156                            |
| 1990-91  | 1,837,602                   | 73,265                        | 8,878,357  | 2,441,040                | 240,193                            |
| 1991-92  | 1,852,890                   | 78,210                        | 10,025,649   | 2,819,880                | 271,603                            |
| 1992-93  | 1,406,178                   | 83,000                        | 10,226,734   | 2,753,610                | 317,096                            |
| 1993-94  | 1,382,949                   | 89,382                        | 10,560,251   | 2,643,000                | 364,961                            |
| <b>PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR</b>              |                             |                               |  |                          |                                    |
| 1986-87  | -2.8                        | -5.0                          | 0.6  | 11.6                     | -12.3                              |
| 1987-88  | -7.7                        | 0.7                           | 4.9  | 5.4                      | 30.9                               |
| 1988-89  | 4.0                         | 4.1                           | 4.5  | 4.2                      | 14.9                               |
| 1989-90  | -15.2                       | -1.7                          | 0.7  | 9.3                      | -22.0                              |
| 1990-91  | 5.1                         | -13.9                         | -16.8  | -16.5                    | 5.3                                |
| 1991-92  | 0.8                         | 6.7                           | 12.9   | 15.5                     | 13.1                               |
| 1992-93  | -24.1                       | 6.1                           | 2.0  | -2.4                     | 16.7                               |
| 1993-94  | -1.7                        | 7.7                           | 3.3  | -4.0                     | 15.1                               |
| <b>MONTHLY/QUARTERLY (b), ORIGINAL</b>                   |                             |                               |  |                          |                                    |
| 1993 - 94 -  |                             |                               |  |                          |                                    |
| November   | 127,479                     | 8,181                         | 944,263  | 201,660                  | ..                                 |
| December   | 108,368                     | 6,695                         | 874,827  | 258,420                  | 97,033                             |
| January  | 40,985                      | 6,611                         | 906,025  | 258,000                  | ..                                 |
| February   | 111,470                     | 6,489                         | 820,049  | 191,940                  | ..                                 |
| March  | 142,746                     | 7,008                         | 917,947  | 258,840                  | 90,339                             |
| April  | 86,319                      | 6,067                         | 791,214  | 247,440                  | ..                                 |
| May  | 122,593                     | 7,173                         | 838,360  | 239,640                  | ..                                 |
| June   | 139,555                     | 7,422                         | 851,000  | 259,080                  | 98,255                             |
| 1994 - 95 -  |                             |                               |  |                          |                                    |
| July   | 127,210                     | 7,858                         | 885,099  | 254,640                  | ..                                 |
| August   | 129,977                     | 8,529                         | 935,339  | 229,980                  | ..                                 |
| September  | 146,686                     | 7,352                         | 885,856  | 248,820                  | 97,308                             |
| October  | 130,132                     | 8,074                         | 838,934  | 105,240                  | ..                                 |
| November   | 135,984                     | 7,393                         | 823,049  | 168,420                  | ..                                 |
| December   | 109,496                     | 6,567                         | 845,271  | 219,240                  | 95,869                             |
| January  | 53,146                      | 6,783                         | 837,610  | 198,960                  | ..                                 |
| February   | 111,711                     | 6,474                         | 833,604  | 230,340                  | ..                                 |
| <b>PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS MONTH/QUARTER (b)</b> |                             |                               |  |                          |                                    |
| 1993 - 94 -  |                             |                               |  |                          |                                    |
| December   | -15.0                       | -18.2                         | -7.4   | 28.1                     | 22.3                               |
| January  | -62.2                       | -1.3                          | 3.6  | -0.2                     | ..                                 |
| February   | 172.0                       | -1.8                          | -9.5   | -25.6                    | ..                                 |
| March  | 28.1                        | 8.0                           | 11.9   | 34.9                     | -6.9                               |
| April  | -39.5                       | -13.4                         | -13.8  | -4.4                     | ..                                 |
| May  | 42.0                        | 18.2                          | 6.0  | -3.2                     | ..                                 |
| June   | 13.8                        | 3.5                           | 1.5  | 8.1                      | 8.8                                |
| 1994 - 95 -  |                             |                               |  |                          |                                    |
| July   | -8.8                        | 5.9                           | 4.0  | -1.7                     | ..                                 |
| August   | 2.2                         | 8.5                           | 5.7  | -9.7                     | ..                                 |
| September  | 12.9                        | -13.8                         | -5.3   | 8.2                      | -1.0                               |
| October  | -11.3                       | 9.8                           | -5.3   | -57.7                    | ..                                 |
| November   | 4.5                         | -8.4                          | -1.9   | 60.0                     | ..                                 |
| December   | -19.5                       | -11.2                         | 2.7  | 30.2                     | -1.5                               |
| January  | -51.5                       | 3.3                           | -0.9   | -9.3                     | ..                                 |
| February   | 110.2                       | -4.6                          | -0.5   | 15.8                     | ..                                 |

(a) From Australian softwood logs only. (b) Sawn timber production data available quarterly only.

**PRODUCTION, LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS AND SELECTED COMMODITIES**  
**South Australia**

| <i>Period</i>                                | <i>Chicken</i> | <i>Pigmeat</i> | <i>Beef</i> | <i>Mutton</i> | <i>Lamb</i> | <i>Cheese</i> | <i>Wheat flour,<br/>other than<br/>self-raising</i> |
|--|----------------|----------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|---|
| <b>ANNUAL (tonnes)</b>                       |                |                |             |               |             |               |   |
| 1983-84                                      | 33,549         | 34,740         | 81,172      | 23,758        | 31,114      | 25,226        | 78,690  |
| 1984-85                                      | 35,882         | 36,508         | 79,111      | 35,800        | 30,136      | 23,273        | 74,643  |
| 1985-86                                      | 34,235         | 37,432         | 77,898      | 41,507        | 31,485      | 25,086        | 73,926  |
| 1986-87                                      | 33,776         | 40,761         | 90,283      | 43,934        | 32,416      | 27,438        | 80,310  |
| 1987-88                                      | 34,907         | 36,671         | 91,701      | 45,562        | 34,335      | 25,497        | 91,325  |
| 1988-89                                      | 32,946         | 40,364         | 87,160      | 42,159        | 36,203      | 24,704        | 96,418  |
| 1989-90                                      | 35,248         | 40,815         | 99,699      | 50,939        | 38,052      | 22,774        | 88,503  |
| 1990-91                                      | 31,945         | 38,644         | 87,036      | 65,434        | 32,038      | 24,522        | 83,727  |
| 1991-92                                      | 36,978         | 34,538         | 90,661      | 72,578        | 29,941      | 23,494        | 81,065  |
| 1992-93                                      | 38,619         | 38,153         | 96,338      | 65,689        | 39,334      | 26,140        | 87,761  |
| 1993-94                                      | 40,671         | 38,529         | 94,395      | 71,354        | 45,199      | 26,674        | 84,683  |
| <b>PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR</b>  |                |                |             |               |             |               |   |
| 1984-85                                      | 7.0            | 5.1            | -2.5        | 50.7          | -3.1        | -7.7          | -5.1  |
| 1985-86                                      | -4.6           | 2.5            | -1.5        | 15.9          | 4.5         | 7.8           | -1.0  |
| 1986-87                                      | -1.3           | 8.9            | 15.9        | 5.8           | 3.0         | 9.4           | 8.6   |
| 1987-88                                      | 3.3            | -10.0          | 1.6         | 3.7           | 5.9         | -7.1          | 13.7  |
| 1988-89                                      | -5.6           | 10.1           | -5.0        | -7.5          | 5.4         | -3.1          | 5.6   |
| 1989-90                                      | 7.0            | 1.1            | 14.4        | 20.8          | 5.1         | -7.8          | -8.2  |
| 1990-91                                      | -9.4           | -5.3           | -12.7       | 28.5          | -15.8       | 7.7           | -5.4  |
| 1991-92                                      | 15.8           | -10.6          | 4.2         | 10.9          | -6.5        | -4.2          | -3.2  |
| 1992-93                                      | 4.4            | 10.5           | 6.3         | -9.5          | 31.4        | 11.3          | 8.3   |
| 1993-94                                      | 5.3            | 1.0            | -2.0        | 8.6           | 14.9        | 2.0           | -3.5  |
| <b>MONTHLY (tonnes)</b>                      |                |                |             |               |             |               |   |
| 1993 - 94 -                                  |                |                |             |               |             |               |   |
| January                                      | 3,403          | 2,543          | 7,528       | 4,853         | 3,577       | 2,637         | 6,414   |
| February                                     | 3,170          | 3,058          | 7,955       | 5,939         | 4,253       | 1,535         | 7,156   |
| March  | 3,524          | 3,433          | 8,829       | 5,658         | 4,985       | 1,136         | 8,149   |
| April  | 3,859          | 3,199          | 7,792       | 5,654         | 4,164       | 1,622         | 6,031   |
| May  | 3,238          | 3,745          | 8,186       | 5,798         | 4,952       | 1,962         | 6,789   |
| June   | 3,548          | 3,021          | 5,377       | 3,411         | 4,636       | 1,497         | 7,660   |
| 1994 - 95 -                                  |                |                |             |               |             |               |   |
| July   | 3,511          | 2,787          | 3,793       | 2,752         | 3,159       | 2,177         | 5,743   |
| August                                       | 2,750          | 3,104          | 6,061       | 3,538         | 3,272       | 2,433         | 6,611   |
| September                                    | 3,284          | 2,550          | 8,132       | 7,529         | 3,934       | 3,016         | 6,803   |
| October                                      | 3,209          | 3,094          | 8,284       | 6,603         | 2,509       | 3,676         | 5,373   |
| November                                     | 2,845          | 3,784          | 8,927       | 8,282         | 3,244       | 3,116         | 7,414   |
| December                                     | 3,321          | 2,929          | 8,859       | 6,781         | 2,816       | 2,486         | 7,256   |
| January                                      | 3,491          | 2,368          | 9,623       | 6,409         | 2,972       | 2,905         | 6,229   |
| February                                     | 3,174          | 2,721          | 9,441       | 5,884         | 3,129       | 1,781         | 7,128   |
| March  | 3,566          | 2,283          | 11,081      | 6,750         | 3,696       | n.y.a.        | 7,729   |
| <b>PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS MONTH</b> |                |                |             |               |             |               |   |
| 1993 - 94 -                                  |                |                |             |               |             |               |   |
| February                                     | -6.8           | 20.3           | 5.7         | 22.4          | 18.9        | -41.8         | 11.6  |
| March  | 11.2           | 12.3           | 11.0        | -4.7          | 17.2        | -26.0         | 13.9  |
| April  | 9.5            | -6.8           | -11.7       | -0.1          | -16.5       | 42.8          | -26.0   |
| May  | -16.1          | 17.1           | 5.1         | 2.5           | 18.9        | 21.0          | 12.6  |
| June   | 12.7           | -19.3          | -34.3       | -41.2         | -6.4        | -7.7          | 12.8  |
| 1994 - 95 -                                  |                |                |             |               |             |               |   |
| July   | -3.8           | -7.7           | -29.5       | -19.3         | -31.9       | 45.4          | -25.0   |
| August                                       | -21.7          | 11.4           | 59.8        | 28.6          | 3.6         | 11.8          | 15.1  |
| September                                    | 19.4           | -17.8          | 34.2        | 112.8         | 20.2        | 24.0          | 2.9   |
| October                                      | -2.3           | 21.3           | 1.9         | -12.3         | -36.2       | 21.9          | -21.0   |
| November                                     | -11.3          | 22.3           | 7.8         | 25.4          | 29.3        | -15.2         | 38.0  |
| December                                     | 16.7           | -22.6          | -0.6        | -18.1         | -13.2       | -20.2         | -2.1  |
| January                                      | 5.1            | -19.2          | 8.6         | -5.5          | 5.5         | 16.9          | -14.2   |
| February                                     | -9.1           | 14.9           | -1.9        | -8.2          | 5.3         | -38.7         | 14.4  |
| March  | 12.4           | -16.1          | 17.4        | 14.7          | 18.1        | n.y.a.        | 8.4   |

**CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: BY GROUP**  
**Adelaide**

| <i>Period</i>   | <i>Food</i> | <i>Clothing</i> | <i>Housing</i> | <i>Household<br/>equipment<br/>and<br/>operation</i> | <i>Transport-<br/>ation</i> | <i>Tobacco<br/>and<br/>alcohol</i> | <i>Health<br/>and<br/>personal<br/>care</i> | <i>Recreation<br/>and<br/>education</i> | <i>All<br/>groups</i> |
|---|-------------|-----------------|----------------|--|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|---|---|-----------------------|
| <b>ANNUAL AVERAGE (1989-90 = 100)</b>                       |             |                 |                |  |                             |                                    |   |   |                       |
| 1983-84   | 67.4        | 64.1            | 61.8           | 69.0   | 64.3                        | 61.6                               | 71.5  | 66.1                                    | 65.8                  |
| 1984-85   | 71.2        | 68.4            | 68.3           | 73.2   | 68.3                        | 67.2                               | 57.8  | 68.9                                    | 68.9                  |
| 1985-86   | 77.0        | 74.0            | 73.4           | 78.9   | 74.8                        | 72.7                               | 63.2  | 74.9                                    | 74.7                  |
| 1986-87   | 83.2        | 81.8            | 76.9           | 84.3   | 83.0                        | 79.4                               | 75.6  | 82.1                                    | 81.5                  |
| 1987-88   | 87.6        | 88.2            | 79.5           | 89.9   | 88.6                        | 85.7                               | 84.0  | 89.6                                    | 87.0                  |
| 1988-89   | 95.2        | 95.3            | 87.0           | 95.1   | 94.2                        | 92.5                               | 90.8  | 94.6                                    | 93.3                  |
| 1989-90   | 100.0       | 100.0           | 100.0          | 100.0  | 100.0                       | 100.0                              | 100.0                                       | 100.0                                   | 100.0                 |
| 1990-91   | 103.8       | 103.6           | 104.1          | 105.4  | 107.0                       | 112.0                              | 113.4                                       | 104.8                                   | 106.2                 |
| 1991-92   | 106.0       | 105.3           | 100.4          | 107.5  | 110.5                       | 118.6                              | 127.8                                       | 107.7                                   | 108.9                 |
| 1992-93   | 109.3       | 107.0           | 94.3           | 107.6  | 115.0                       | 131.2                              | 134.9                                       | 110.7                                   | 111.2                 |
| 1993-94   | 111.7       | 106.6           | 92.1           | 108.0  | 117.8                       | 141.5                              | 142.7                                       | 113.7                                   | 113.4                 |
| <b>PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR, ANNUAL AVERAGE</b> |             |                 |                |  |                             |                                    |   |   |                       |
| 1984-85   | 5.6         | 6.7             | 10.5           | 6.1  | 6.2                         | 9.1                                | -19.2                                       | 4.2                                     | 4.7                   |
| 1985-86   | 8.1         | 8.2             | 7.5            | 7.8  | 9.5                         | 8.2                                | 9.3   | 8.7                                     | 8.4                   |
| 1986-87   | 8.1         | 10.5            | 4.8            | 6.8  | 11.0                        | 9.2                                | 19.6  | 9.6                                     | 9.1                   |
| 1987-88   | 5.3         | 7.8             | 3.4            | 6.6  | 6.7                         | 7.9                                | 11.1  | 9.1                                     | 6.7                   |
| 1988-89   | 8.7         | 8.0             | 9.4            | 5.8  | 6.3                         | 7.9                                | 8.1   | 5.6                                     | 7.2                   |
| 1989-90   | 5.0         | 4.9             | 14.9           | 5.2  | 6.2                         | 8.1                                | 10.1  | 5.7                                     | 7.2                   |
| 1990-91   | 3.8         | 3.6             | 4.1            | 5.4  | 7.0                         | 12.0                               | 13.4  | 4.8                                     | 6.2                   |
| 1991-92   | 2.1         | 1.6             | -3.6           | 2.0  | 3.3                         | 5.9                                | 12.7  | 2.8                                     | 2.5                   |
| 1992-93   | 3.1         | 1.6             | -6.1           | 0.1  | 4.1                         | 10.6                               | 5.6   | 2.8                                     | 2.1                   |
| 1993-94   | 2.2         | -0.4            | -2.3           | 0.4  | 2.4                         | 7.9                                | 5.8   | 2.7                                     | 2.0                   |
| <b>QUARTERLY (1989-90=100.0)</b>                            |             |                 |                |  |                             |                                    |   |   |                       |
| 1992 - 93 -<br>March  | 111.3       | 107.2           | 94.0           | 106.7  | 114.9                       | 131.3                              | 136.8                                       | 111.7                                   | 111.6                 |
| June  | 110.4       | 107.6           | 93.8           | 107.3  | 116.1                       | 136.4                              | 138.9                                       | 112.3                                   | 112.3                 |
| 1993 - 94 -<br>September                                    | 110.4       | 107.5           | 93.3           | 107.5  | 117.3                       | 138.8                              | 138.7                                       | 112.8                                   | 112.7                 |
| December  | 111.3       | 107.1           | 91.6           | 108.2  | 117.6                       | 140.0                              | 138.4                                       | 113.0                                   | 112.8                 |
| March   | 112.0       | 106.0           | 91.6           | 107.9  | 117.6                       | 142.6                              | 145.5                                       | 114.1                                   | 113.6                 |
| June  | 113.0       | 105.8           | 91.9           | 108.2  | 118.5                       | 144.5                              | 148.2                                       | 114.8                                   | 114.4                 |
| 1994 - 95 -<br>September                                    | 114.5       | 105.2           | 92.4           | 108.3  | 119.6                       | 144.2                              | 148.3                                       | 115.1                                   | 114.9                 |
| December  | 114.3       | 105.1           | 95.6           | 108.7  | 119.8                       | 147.8                              | 148.7                                       | 116.2                                   | 116.0                 |
| March   | 115.7       | 104.2           | 100.8          | 109.5  | 119.9                       | 150.2                              | 153.0                                       | 117.2                                   | 117.8                 |
| <b>PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM SAME QUARTER OF PREVIOUS YEAR</b> |             |                 |                |  |                             |                                    |   |   |                       |
| 1992 - 93 -<br>March  | 4.6         | 1.9             | -5.8           | -0.6   | 3.6                         | 10.2                               | 2.0   | 2.7                                     | 1.9                   |
| June  | 3.3         | 1.4             | -3.6           | -0.7   | 4.4                         | 14.0                               | 5.5   | 3.1                                     | 2.7                   |
| 1993 - 94 -<br>September                                    | 2.9         | 1.4             | -2.2           | -0.6   | 3.2                         | 9.7                                | 5.5   | 3.6                                     | 2.4                   |
| December  | 3.0         | -0.1            | -2.6           | 0.1  | 2.2                         | 7.4                                | 4.7   | 2.8                                     | 1.9                   |
| March   | 0.6         | -1.1            | -2.6           | 1.1  | 2.3                         | 8.6                                | 6.4   | 2.1                                     | 1.8                   |
| June  | 2.4         | -1.7            | -2.0           | 0.8  | 2.1                         | 5.9                                | 6.7   | 2.2                                     | 1.9                   |
| 1994 - 95 -<br>September                                    | 3.7         | -2.1            | -1.0           | 0.7  | 2.0                         | 3.9                                | 6.9   | 2.0                                     | 2.0                   |
| December  | 2.7         | -1.9            | 4.4            | 0.5  | 1.9                         | 5.6                                | 7.4   | 2.8                                     | 2.8                   |
| March   | 3.3         | -1.7            | 10.0           | 1.5  | 2.0                         | 5.3                                | 5.2   | 2.7                                     | 3.7                   |
| <b>PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS QUARTER</b>              |             |                 |                |  |                             |                                    |   |   |                       |
| 1992 - 93 -<br>June   | -0.8        | 0.4             | -0.2           | 0.6  | 1.0                         | 3.9                                | 1.5   | 0.5                                     | 0.6                   |
| 1993 - 94 -<br>September                                    | 0.0         | -0.1            | -0.5           | 0.2  | 1.0                         | 1.8                                | -0.1  | 0.4                                     | 0.4                   |
| December  | 0.8         | -0.4            | -1.8           | 0.7  | 0.3                         | 0.9                                | -0.2  | 0.2                                     | 0.1                   |
| March   | 0.6         | -1.0            | 0.0            | -0.3   | 0.0                         | 1.9                                | 5.1   | 1.0                                     | 0.7                   |
| June  | 0.9         | -0.2            | 0.3            | 0.3  | 0.8                         | 1.3                                | 1.9   | 0.6                                     | 0.7                   |
| 1994 - 95 -<br>September                                    | 1.3         | -0.6            | 0.5            | 0.1  | 0.9                         | -0.2                               | 0.1   | 0.3                                     | 0.4                   |
| December  | -0.2        | -0.1            | 3.5            | 0.4  | 0.2                         | 2.5                                | 0.3   | 1.0                                     | 1.0                   |
| March   | 1.2         | -0.9            | 5.4            | 0.7  | 0.1                         | 1.6                                | 2.9   | 0.9                                     | 1.6                   |

**AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED CONSUMER ITEMS**  
**Adelaide**  
**(Cents)**

| Item   | Unit     | Quarter      |              |              |               |              |              |
|--|----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
|  |          | Dec.<br>1993 | Mar.<br>1994 | June<br>1994 | Sept.<br>1994 | Dec.<br>1994 | Mar.<br>1995 |
| Milk, carton, supermarket sales              | 1 litre  | 95           | 97           | 97           | 101           | 102          | 104          |
| Cheese processed, sliced, wrapped            | 500g     | 337          | 333          | 348          | 330           | 333          | 317          |
| Butter                                       | 500g     | 161          | 161          | 156          | 161           | 159          | 148          |
| Bread, white loaf, sliced, supermarket sales | 680g     | 122          | 121          | 126          | 125           | 128          | 138          |
| Self-raising flour                           | 2kg      | 188          | 183          | 192          | 205           | 195          | 216          |
| Beef   | 1kg      | 1,086        | 1,104        | 1,164        | 1,180         | 1,124        | 1,139        |
| Rump steak                                   | 1kg      | 612          | 632          | 651          | 672           | 665          | 653          |
| Corned silverside                            | 1kg      | 501          | 521          | 532          | 507           | 476          | 495          |
| Lamb:  | 1kg      | 665          | 658          | 699          | 666           | 637          | 677          |
| Leg  | 1kg      | 482          | 495          | 499          | 500           | 448          | 494          |
| Loin Chops                                   | 1kg      | 609          | 585          | 569          | 598           | 596          | 600          |
| Forequarter chops                            | 1kg      | 738          | 729          | 743          | 753           | 747          | 745          |
| Pork:  | 1kg      | 330          | 317          | 329          | 325           | 331          | 328          |
| Leg  | 1kg      | 273          | 293          | 290          | 260           | 244          | 309          |
| Loin Chops                                   | 1kg      | 365          | 369          | 364          | 373           | 370          | 373          |
| Chicken, frozen                              | 250g pkt | 72           | 59           | 63           | 60            | 95           | 100          |
| Bacon, middle rashers                        | 1kg      | 215          | 120          | 95           | 100           | 109          | 109          |
| Sausages                                     | 1kg      | 196          | 191          | 191          | 194           | 185          | 190          |
| Potatoes                                     | 1kg      | 180          | 172          | 166          | 163           | 170          | 181          |
| Onions                                       | 825g     | 193          | 196          | 190          | 199           | 191          | 189          |
| Peaches, canned                              | doz      | 169          | 166          | 164          | 159           | 165          | 164          |
| Eggs, 55g                                    | 2kg      | 397          | 389          | 384          | 512           | 521          | 572          |
| Sugar, white                                 | 250g     | 142          | 138          | 136          | 140           | 138          | 141          |
| Tea  | 150g     | 70.2         | 68.9         | 70.7         | 71.5          | 70.8         | 71.3         |
| Coffee, instant, jar                         | 500g     | ..           | 68.2         | 69.6         | 69.7          | 68.7         | 69.1         |
| Margarine, polyunsaturated                   | 1 litre  | ..           | ..           | ..           | ..            | ..           | ..           |
| Petrol:                                      | 1 litre  | ..           | ..           | ..           | ..            | ..           | ..           |
| Leaded(a)                                    | 1 litre  | ..           | ..           | ..           | ..            | ..           | ..           |
| Unleaded(b)                                  | 1 litre  | ..           | ..           | ..           | ..            | ..           | ..           |

(a) Description change only, from super grade to leaded.

(b) Introduced from March quarter 1994

**ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION AND COMPONENTS OF POPULATION CHANGE**  
**South Australia**

| Period            | Live<br>births | Deaths | Components of population change |               |              | Total<br>increase | Population<br>at end<br>of period |
|-------------------|----------------|--------|---------------------------------|---------------|--------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|
|                   |                |        | Natural<br>increase             | Net migration |              |                   |                                   |
|                   |                |        |                                 | Interstate    | Overseas (a) |                   |                                   |
| ANNUAL            |                |        |                                 |               |              |                   |                                   |
| 1983-84           | 20,118         | 9,799  | 10,319                          | 553           | 3,969        | 14,273            | 1,360,048                         |
| 1984-85           | 19,901         | 10,204 | 9,697                           | -2,317        | 4,329        | 11,149            | 1,371,197                         |
| 1985-86           | 19,657         | 10,427 | 9,230                           | -1,417        | 5,084        | 11,353            | 1,382,550                         |
| 1986-87           | 19,628         | 10,577 | 9,051                           | -3,977        | 6,200        | 10,214            | 1,392,764                         |
| 1987-88           | 19,288         | 10,799 | 8,489                           | -1,240        | 5,952        | 12,145            | 1,404,909                         |
| 1988-89           | 19,528         | 10,814 | 8,664                           | -221          | 6,665        | 14,120            | 1,419,029                         |
| 1989-90           | 19,653         | 11,329 | 8,253                           | -252          | 5,762        | 13,027            | 1,432,056                         |
| 1990-91           | 19,966         | 11,120 | 8,767                           | 1,545         | 4,619        | 14,243            | 1,446,299                         |
| 1991-92           | 19,530         | 11,035 | 8,532                           | -133          | 2,897        | 11,296            | 1,457,595                         |
| 1992-93           | 19,686         | 11,163 | 8,403                           | -4,650        | 1,546        | 5,299             | 1,462,894                         |
| 1993-94           | 20,030         | 11,733 | 8,230                           | -3,466        | 2,126        | 6,890             | 1,469,784                         |
| MONTHLY/QUARTERLY |                |        |                                 |               |              |                   |                                   |
| 1993 - 94 -       |                |        |                                 |               |              |                   |                                   |
| February          | 1,156          | 809    | ..                              | ..            | ..           | ..                | ..                                |
| March             | 2,281          | 1,072  | 2,286                           | -1,290        | 1,044        | 2,040             | 1,468,605                         |
| April             | 1,490          | 742    | ..                              | ..            | ..           | ..                | ..                                |
| May               | 1,757          | 1,040  | ..                              | ..            | ..           | ..                | ..                                |
| June              | 1,589          | 1,165  | 1,955                           | -822          | 46           | 1,179             | 1,469,784                         |
| 1994 - 95 -       |                |        |                                 |               |              |                   |                                   |
| July              | 1,409          | 1,040  | ..                              | ..            | ..           | ..                | ..                                |
| August            | 1,789          | 1,165  | ..                              | ..            | ..           | ..                | ..                                |
| September         | 1,333          | 1,005  | 1,755                           | -1,380        | 796          | 1,171             | 1,470,955                         |
| October           | 1,546          | 942    | ..                              | ..            | ..           | ..                | ..                                |
| November          | 2,013          | 1,025  | ..                              | ..            | ..           | ..                | ..                                |
| December          | 1,525          | 963    | n.y.a.                          | n.y.a.        | n.y.a.       | n.y.a.            | n.y.a.                            |
| January           | 1,757          | 904    | ..                              | ..            | ..           | ..                | ..                                |
| February          | 1,408          | 652    | ..                              | ..            | ..           | ..                | ..                                |
| March             | 1,865          | 923    | n.y.a.                          | n.y.a.        | n.y.a.       | n.y.a.            | n.y.a.                            |
| April             | 1,375          | 770    | ..                              | ..            | ..           | ..                | ..                                |

(a) Includes category jumping.

**LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION**  
**South Australia**

| Period   | Employed<br>Full-time<br>Males | Employed<br>Full-time<br>Females | Employed<br>Part-time<br>Males | Employed<br>Part-time<br>Females | Employed<br>Total<br>Males | Employed<br>Total<br>Females | Unem-<br>ployed<br>Males | Unem-<br>ployed<br>Females | Labour<br>Force<br>Males | Labour<br>Force<br>Females |
|--|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>ANNUAL AVERAGE ('000)</b>                               |                                |                                  |                                |                                  |                            |                              |                          |                            |                          |                            |
| 1985-86  | 336.3                          | 134.3                            | 24.4                           | 98.9                             | 360.7                      | 233.2                        | 32.2                     | 22.4                       | 392.9                    | 255.6                      |
| 1986-87  | 337.1                          | 137.0                            | 25.4                           | 106.6                            | 362.5                      | 243.6                        | 35.6                     | 24.5                       | 398.1                    | 268.1                      |
| 1987-88  | 334.4                          | 137.4                            | 29.3                           | 111.6                            | 363.7                      | 249.0                        | 35.1                     | 24.9                       | 398.8                    | 273.9                      |
| 1988-89  | 345.5                          | 145.3                            | 29.7                           | 115.8                            | 375.2                      | 261.1                        | 32.2                     | 22.5                       | 407.4                    | 283.6                      |
| 1989-90  | 352.0                          | 149.3                            | 31.5                           | 119.8                            | 383.5                      | 269.1                        | 28.5                     | 20.9                       | 412.0                    | 290.0                      |
| 1990-91  | 345.2                          | 148.4                            | 34.1                           | 125.7                            | 379.3                      | 274.1                        | 37.8                     | 25.3                       | 417.1                    | 299.4                      |
| 1991-92  | 323.3                          | 145.7                            | 37.5                           | 121.6                            | 360.8                      | 267.3                        | 50.0                     | 29.3                       | 410.8                    | 296.6                      |
| 1992-93  | 322.2                          | 143.2                            | 39.2                           | 126.8                            | 361.4                      | 270.0                        | 51.9                     | 29.9                       | 413.3                    | 299.9                      |
| 1993-94  | 322.0                          | 146.3                            | 40.0                           | 127.0                            | 362.0                      | 273.3                        | 47.3                     | 29.9                       | 409.3                    | 303.2                      |
| <b>PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR ANNUAL AVERAGE</b> |                                |                                  |                                |                                  |                            |                              |                          |                            |                          |                            |
| 1986-87  | 0.2                            | 2.0                              | 4.1                            | 7.8                              | 0.5                        | 4.5                          | 10.6                     | 9.4                        | 1.3                      | 4.9                        |
| 1987-88  | -0.8                           | 0.3                              | 15.4                           | 4.7                              | 0.3                        | 2.2                          | -1.4                     | 1.6                        | 0.2                      | 2.2                        |
| 1988-89  | 3.3                            | 5.7                              | 1.4                            | 3.8                              | 3.2                        | 4.9                          | -8.3                     | -9.6                       | 2.2                      | 3.5                        |
| 1989-90  | 1.9                            | 2.8                              | 6.1                            | 3.5                              | 2.2                        | 3.1                          | -11.5                    | -7.1                       | 1.1                      | 2.3                        |
| 1990-91  | -1.9                           | -0.6                             | 8.3                            | 4.9                              | -1.1                       | 1.9                          | 32.6                     | 21.1                       | 1.2                      | 3.2                        |
| 1991-92  | -6.3                           | -1.8                             | 10.0                           | -3.3                             | -4.9                       | -2.5                         | 32.3                     | 15.8                       | -1.5                     | -0.9                       |
| 1992-93  | -0.3                           | -1.7                             | 4.5                            | 4.3                              | 0.2                        | 1.0                          | 3.8                      | 2.0                        | 0.6                      | 1.1                        |
| 1993-94  | -0.1                           | 2.2                              | 2.0                            | 0.2                              | 0.2                        | 1.2                          | -8.9                     | 0.0                        | -1.0                     | 1.1                        |
| <b>MONTHLY, ORIGINAL ('000)</b>                            |                                |                                  |                                |                                  |                            |                              |                          |                            |                          |                            |
| 1993 - 94 -  |                                |                                  |                                |                                  |                            |                              |                          |                            |                          |                            |
| March  | 323.5                          | 143.9                            | 41.1                           | 129.1                            | 364.5                      | 273.0                        | 47.4                     | 32.6                       | 411.9                    | 305.6                      |
| April  | 322.2                          | 144.1                            | 39.7                           | 130.4                            | 361.9                      | 274.5                        | 44.5                     | 27.4                       | 406.4                    | 301.9                      |
| May  | 324.4                          | 141.3                            | 39.4                           | 133.0                            | 363.8                      | 274.3                        | 43.8                     | 31.0                       | 407.6                    | 305.3                      |
| June   | 325.9                          | 145.4                            | 35.3                           | 128.5                            | 361.1                      | 273.9                        | 44.6                     | 31.1                       | 405.7                    | 305.0                      |
| 1994 - 95 -  |                                |                                  |                                |                                  |                            |                              |                          |                            |                          |                            |
| July   | 325.5                          | 146.7                            | 40.5                           | 136.3                            | 366.0                      | 283.0                        | 42.5                     | 30.4                       | 408.5                    | 313.3                      |
| August   | 325.2                          | 146.2                            | 37.6                           | 133.1                            | 362.8                      | 279.4                        | 44.4                     | 28.7                       | 407.2                    | 308.1                      |
| September  | 328.5                          | 151.4                            | 36.9                           | 133.0                            | 365.5                      | 284.4                        | 44.6                     | 30.2                       | 410.0                    | 314.6                      |
| October  | 329.2                          | 151.6                            | 37.7                           | 128.0                            | 366.9                      | 279.6                        | 43.6                     | 29.5                       | 410.5                    | 309.1                      |
| November   | 322.8                          | 155.5                            | 41.5                           | 126.3                            | 364.2                      | 281.9                        | 42.2                     | 29.7                       | 406.5                    | 311.6                      |
| December   | 322.3                          | 153.2                            | 41.7                           | 132.0                            | 364.0                      | 285.2                        | 45.1                     | 28.9                       | 409.0                    | 314.1                      |
| January  | 320.2                          | 153.0                            | 40.9                           | 122.3                            | 361.1                      | 275.3                        | 50.4                     | 26.0                       | 411.5                    | 301.4                      |
| February   | 328.2                          | 154.7                            | 43.6                           | 127.9                            | 371.8                      | 282.6                        | 45.5                     | 30.9                       | 417.3                    | 313.4                      |
| March  | 317.8                          | 151.5                            | 47.8                           | 130.7                            | 365.6                      | 282.2                        | 43.7                     | 30.4                       | 409.3                    | 312.5                      |
| April  | 320.4                          | 149.4                            | 47.7                           | 132.8                            | 368.1                      | 282.2                        | 42.7                     | 28.8                       | 410.8                    | 311.0                      |
| <b>MONTHLY, TREND ('000)</b>                               |                                |                                  |                                |                                  |                            |                              |                          |                            |                          |                            |
| 1993 - 94 -  |                                |                                  |                                |                                  |                            |                              |                          |                            |                          |                            |
| March  | 322.4                          | 145.4                            | 39.5                           | 127.3                            | 361.9                      | 272.7                        | 46.8                     | 30.3                       | 408.8                    | 303.0                      |
| April  | 323.2                          | 145.2                            | 39.0                           | 128.4                            | 362.2                      | 273.6                        | 46.2                     | 30.5                       | 408.4                    | 304.0                      |
| May  | 324.5                          | 145.4                            | 38.5                           | 129.7                            | 363.0                      | 275.1                        | 45.6                     | 30.9                       | 408.6                    | 306.0                      |
| June   | 326.0                          | 146.2                            | 38.2                           | 131.0                            | 364.2                      | 277.2                        | 45.1                     | 31.3                       | 409.3                    | 308.6                      |
| 1994 - 95 -  |                                |                                  |                                |                                  |                            |                              |                          |                            |                          |                            |
| July   | 327.4                          | 147.5                            | 37.8                           | 131.8                            | 365.2                      | 279.3                        | 44.7                     | 31.7                       | 410.0                    | 311.0                      |
| August   | 327.8                          | 148.8                            | 37.7                           | 132.0                            | 365.5                      | 280.8                        | 44.6                     | 31.7                       | 410.1                    | 312.5                      |
| September  | 327.3                          | 150.1                            | 38.0                           | 131.5                            | 365.3                      | 281.6                        | 44.5                     | 31.1                       | 409.8                    | 312.7                      |
| October  | 326.2                          | 151.2                            | 38.6                           | 130.6                            | 364.8                      | 281.8                        | 44.5                     | 30.1                       | 409.2                    | 311.9                      |
| November   | 324.5                          | 151.8                            | 39.8                           | 129.8                            | 364.3                      | 281.6                        | 44.4                     | 29.0                       | 408.7                    | 310.6                      |
| December   | 322.9                          | 152.1                            | 41.3                           | 129.2                            | 364.2                      | 281.3                        | 44.3                     | 28.2                       | 408.5                    | 309.5                      |
| January  | 321.7                          | 152.0                            | 43.0                           | 129.3                            | 364.7                      | 281.3                        | 44.1                     | 27.7                       | 408.9                    | 309.0                      |
| February   | 320.9                          | 151.8                            | 44.6                           | 129.5                            | 365.5                      | 281.3                        | 44.0                     | 27.4                       | 409.5                    | 308.8                      |
| March  | 320.4                          | 151.6                            | 45.9                           | 129.8                            | 366.3                      | 281.4                        | 43.8                     | 27.4                       | 410.2                    | 308.7                      |
| April  | 320.1                          | 151.3                            | 47.0                           | 130.1                            | 367.1                      | 281.4                        | 43.7                     | 27.5                       | 410.8                    | 308.9                      |
| <b>PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS MONTH, TREND</b>        |                                |                                  |                                |                                  |                            |                              |                          |                            |                          |                            |
| 1993 - 94 -  |                                |                                  |                                |                                  |                            |                              |                          |                            |                          |                            |
| April  | 0.2                            | -0.1                             | -1.3                           | 0.9                              | 0.1                        | 0.3                          | -1.3                     | 0.7                        | -0.1                     | 0.3                        |
| May  | 0.4                            | 0.1                              | -1.3                           | 1.0                              | 0.2                        | 0.5                          | -1.3                     | 1.3                        | 0.0                      | 0.7                        |
| June   | 0.5                            | 0.6                              | -0.8                           | 1.0                              | 0.3                        | 0.8                          | -1.1                     | 1.3                        | 0.2                      | 0.8                        |
| 1994 - 95 -  |                                |                                  |                                |                                  |                            |                              |                          |                            |                          |                            |
| July   | 0.4                            | 0.9                              | -1.0                           | 0.6                              | 0.3                        | 0.8                          | -0.9                     | 1.3                        | 0.2                      | 0.8                        |
| August   | 0.1                            | 0.9                              | -0.3                           | 0.2                              | 0.1                        | 0.5                          | -0.2                     | 0.0                        | 0.0                      | 0.5                        |
| September  | -0.2                           | 0.9                              | 0.8                            | -0.4                             | -0.1                       | 0.3                          | -0.2                     | -1.9                       | -0.1                     | 0.1                        |
| October  | -0.3                           | 0.7                              | 1.6                            | -0.7                             | -0.1                       | 0.1                          | 0.0                      | -3.2                       | -0.1                     | -0.3                       |
| November   | -0.5                           | 0.4                              | 3.1                            | -0.6                             | -0.1                       | -0.1                         | -0.2                     | -3.7                       | -0.1                     | -0.4                       |
| December   | -0.5                           | 0.2                              | 3.8                            | -0.5                             | 0.0                        | -0.1                         | -0.2                     | -2.8                       | 0.0                      | -0.4                       |
| January  | -0.4                           | -0.1                             | 4.1                            | 0.1                              | 0.1                        | 0.0                          | -0.5                     | -1.8                       | 0.1                      | -0.2                       |
| February   | -0.2                           | -0.1                             | 3.7                            | 0.2                              | 0.2                        | 0.0                          | -0.2                     | -1.1                       | 0.1                      | -0.1                       |
| March  | -0.2                           | -0.1                             | 2.9                            | 0.2                              | 0.2                        | 0.0                          | -0.5                     | 0.0                        | 0.2                      | 0.0                        |
| April  | -0.1                           | -0.2                             | 2.4                            | 0.2                              | 0.2                        | 0.0                          | -0.2                     | 0.4                        | 0.1                      | 0.1                        |



**LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER**  
**South Australia**

| <i>Period</i>   | <i>Civilian<br/>Population<br/>aged 15<br/>and over<br/>(000)<br/>Males</i> | <i>Civilian<br/>Population<br/>aged 15<br/>and over<br/>(000)<br/>Females</i> | <i>Unemploy-<br/>ment rate<br/>Ages 15-19<br/>(%)<br/>Persons</i> | <i>Unemploy-<br/>ment rate<br/>All Ages<br/>(%)<br/>Males</i> | <i>Unemploy-<br/>ment rate<br/>All Ages<br/>(%)<br/>Females</i> | <i>Unemploy-<br/>ment rate<br/>All Ages<br/>(%)<br/>Persons</i> | <i>Partici-<br/>pation<br/>rate<br/>(%)<br/>Males</i> | <i>Partici-<br/>pation<br/>rate<br/>(%)<br/>Females</i> | <i>Partici-<br/>pation<br/>rate<br/>(%)<br/>Persons</i> |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| <b>ANNUAL AVERAGE</b>                                       |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 1984-85   | 518.8   | 538.9   | 22.1  | 9.0   | 9.6   | 9.2   | 74.9  | 45.4  | 59.9  |
| 1985-86   | 526.9   | 545.6   | 20.6  | 8.2   | 8.8   | 8.4   | 75.6  | 46.8  | 60.5  |
| 1986-87   | 534.8   | 552.4   | 22.1  | 8.9   | 9.1   | 9.0   | 74.4  | 48.5  | 61.3  |
| 1987-88   | 542.4   | 560.0   | 20.8  | 8.8   | 9.1   | 8.9   | 73.5  | 48.9  | 61.0  |
| 1988-89   | 547.9   | 566.9   | 17.8  | 7.9   | 7.9   | 7.9   | 74.3  | 50.0  | 62.0  |
| 1989-90   | 552.4   | 573.4   | 16.2  | 6.9   | 7.2   | 7.1   | 74.6  | 50.6  | 62.4  |
| 1990-91   | 558.3   | 579.8   | 19.2  | 9.1   | 8.4   | 8.8   | 74.7  | 51.6  | 63.0  |
| 1991-92   | 563.9   | 585.4   | 25.0  | 12.1  | 9.9   | 11.2  | 72.9  | 50.7  | 61.6  |
| 1992-93   | 567.4   | 588.9   | 26.6  | 12.6  | 10.0  | 11.5  | 72.8  | 51.0  | 61.7  |
| 1993-94   | 570.6   | 592.0   | 28.3  | 11.5  | 9.8   | 10.8  | 71.7  | 51.2  | 61.3  |
| <b>PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR, ANNUAL AVERAGE</b> |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 1985-86   | 1.6   | 1.2   | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  |
| 1986-87   | 1.5   | 1.2   | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  |
| 1987-88   | 1.4   | 1.4   | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  |
| 1988-89   | 1.0   | 1.2   | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  |
| 1989-90   | 0.8   | 1.1   | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  |
| 1990-91   | 1.1   | 1.1   | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  |
| 1991-92   | 1.0   | 1.0   | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  |
| 1992-93   | 0.6   | 0.6   | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  |
| 1993-94   | 0.6   | 0.6   | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  | ..  |
| <b>MONTHLY, ORIGINAL</b>                                    |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| <b>1993 - 94 -</b>  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| March   | 571.4   | 592.7   | 27.5  | 11.5  | 10.7  | 11.2  | 72.1  | 51.6  | 61.6  |
| April   | 571.7   | 592.9   | 25.8  | 10.9  | 9.1   | 10.2  | 71.1  | 50.9  | 60.8  |
| May   | 571.9   | 593.1   | 30.1  | 10.7  | 10.2  | 10.5  | 71.3  | 51.5  | 61.2  |
| June  | 572.1   | 593.3   | 28.8  | 11.0  | 10.2  | 10.6  | 70.9  | 51.4  | 61.0  |
| <b>1994 - 95 -</b>  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| July  | 572.4   | 593.6   | 25.3  | 10.4  | 9.7   | 10.1  | 71.4  | 52.8  | 61.9  |
| August  | 572.7   | 593.8   | 27.3  | 10.9  | 9.3   | 10.2  | 71.1  | 51.9  | 61.3  |
| September   | 572.9   | 594.0   | 28.3  | 10.9  | 9.6   | 10.3  | 71.6  | 53.0  | 62.1  |
| October   | 573.2   | 594.2   | 29.3  | 10.6  | 9.6   | 10.2  | 71.6  | 52.0  | 61.6  |
| November  | 573.4   | 594.4   | 26.1  | 10.4  | 9.5   | 10.0  | 70.9  | 52.4  | 61.5  |
| December  | 573.6   | 594.6   | 25.6  | 11.0  | 9.2   | 10.2  | 71.3  | 52.8  | 61.9  |
| January   | 573.9   | 594.8   | 24.3  | 12.3  | 8.6   | 10.7  | 71.7  | 50.7  | 61.0  |
| February  | 574.2   | 595.0   | 25.1  | 10.9  | 9.8   | 10.4  | 72.7  | 52.7  | 62.5  |
| March   | 574.4   | 595.2   | 21.3  | 10.7  | 9.7   | 10.3  | 71.3  | 52.5  | 61.7  |
| April   | 574.6   | 595.4   | n.y.a.  | 10.4  | 9.2   | 9.9   | 71.5  | 52.2  | 61.7  |
| <b>MONTHLY, TREND</b>                                       |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| March   | n.a.  | n.a.  | n.a.  | 11.5  | 10.0  | 10.8  | 71.5  | 51.1  | 61.1  |
| April   |   |   |   | 11.3  | 10.0  | 10.8  | 71.4  | 51.3  | 61.2  |
| May   |   |   |   | 11.2  | 10.1  | 10.7  | 71.4  | 51.6  | 61.3  |
| June  |   |   |   | 11.0  | 10.2  | 10.7  | 71.5  | 52.0  | 61.6  |
| <b>1994 - 95 -</b>  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| July  |   |   |   | 10.9  | 10.2  | 10.6  | 71.6  | 52.4  | 61.8  |
| August  |   |   |   | 10.9  | 10.1  | 10.6  | 71.6  | 52.6  | 61.9  |
| September   |   |   |   | 10.9  | 10.0  | 10.5  | 71.5  | 52.6  | 61.9  |
| October   |   |   |   | 10.9  | 9.7   | 10.3  | 71.4  | 52.5  | 61.8  |
| November  |   |   |   | 10.9  | 9.3   | 10.2  | 71.3  | 52.3  | 61.6  |
| December  |   |   |   | 10.8  | 9.1   | 10.1  | 71.2  | 52.1  | 61.5  |
| January   |   |   |   | 10.8  | 9.0   | 10.0  | 71.2  | 52.0  | 61.4  |
| February  |   |   |   | 10.7  | 8.9   | 9.9   | 71.3  | 51.9  | 61.4  |
| March   |   |   |   | 10.7  | 8.9   | 9.9   | 71.4  | 51.9  | 61.5  |
| April   |   |   |   | 10.6  | 8.9   | 9.9   | 71.5  | 51.9  | 61.5  |

**AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS OF EMPLOYEES**  
**South Australia**

| Period   | Full-time adults       |         |         |                |         |         | All employees |         |         |
|--|------------------------|---------|---------|----------------|---------|---------|---------------|---------|---------|
|  | Ordinary time earnings |         |         | Total earnings |         |         | Males         | Females | Persons |
|  | Males                  | Females | Persons | Males          | Females | Persons |               |         |         |
| ANNUAL AVERAGE (\$ per week)   |                        |         |         |                |         |         |               |         |         |
| 1983-84  | 358.30                 | 294.50  | 339.90  | 377.60         | 300.20  | 355.20  | 346.60        | 218.30  | 294.00  |
| 1984-85  | 381.90                 | 319.30  | 364.80  | 407.40         | 325.80  | 385.10  | 367.20        | 238.70  | 316.20  |
| 1985-86  | 406.30                 | 340.50  | 388.30  | 431.80         | 346.60  | 408.40  | 389.00        | 252.70  | 334.50  |
| 1986-87  | 431.80                 | 363.70  | 412.20  | 455.90         | 370.20  | 431.20  | 411.80        | 268.90  | 352.20  |
| 1987-88  | 458.60                 | 389.70  | 438.40  | 485.00         | 397.00  | 459.20  | 440.10        | 295.10  | 379.60  |
| 1988-89  | 481.50                 | 424.30  | 465.70  | 517.60         | 435.10  | 494.90  | 473.40        | 315.10  | 408.50  |
| 1989-90  | 517.50                 | 454.90  | 499.40  | 560.70         | 466.50  | 533.50  | 511.60        | 338.00  | 437.80  |
| 1990-91  | 561.30                 | 486.10  | 537.90  | 598.90         | 496.10  | 566.90  | 546.70        | 358.10  | 462.00  |
| 1991-92  | 588.40                 | 524.10  | 567.80  | 624.90         | 534.00  | 595.80  | 564.80        | 386.90  | 483.70  |
| 1992-93  | 610.10                 | 534.90  | 585.40  | 646.40         | 546.80  | 613.70  | 560.00        | 382.60  | 477.40  |
| 1993-94  | 625.10                 | 547.60  | 600.00  | 667.50         | 560.10  | 632.70  | 595.10        | 396.60  | 503.30  |
| PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR                                 |                        |         |         |                |         |         |               |         |         |
| 1984-85  | 6.6                    | 8.4     | 7.3     | 7.9            | 8.5     | 8.4     | 5.9           | 9.3     | 7.6     |
| 1985-86  | 6.4                    | 6.6     | 6.4     | 6.0            | 6.4     | 6.1     | 5.9           | 5.9     | 5.8     |
| 1986-87  | 6.3                    | 6.8     | 6.2     | 5.6            | 6.8     | 5.6     | 5.9           | 6.4     | 5.3     |
| 1987-88  | 6.2                    | 7.1     | 6.4     | 6.4            | 7.2     | 6.5     | 6.9           | 9.7     | 7.8     |
| 1988-89  | 5.0                    | 8.9     | 6.2     | 6.7            | 9.6     | 7.8     | 7.6           | 6.8     | 7.6     |
| 1989-90  | 7.5                    | 7.2     | 7.2     | 8.3            | 7.2     | 7.8     | 8.1           | 7.3     | 7.2     |
| 1990-91  | 8.5                    | 6.9     | 7.7     | 6.8            | 6.3     | 6.3     | 6.9           | 5.9     | 5.5     |
| 1991-92  | 4.8                    | 7.8     | 5.6     | 4.3            | 7.6     | 5.1     | 3.3           | 8.0     | 4.7     |
| 1992-93  | 3.7                    | 2.1     | 3.1     | 3.4            | 2.4     | 3.0     | -0.8          | -1.1    | -1.3    |
| 1993-94  | 2.5                    | 2.4     | 2.5     | 3.3            | 2.4     | 3.1     | 6.3           | 3.7     | 5.4     |
| QUARTERLY (\$ per week)  |                        |         |         |                |         |         |               |         |         |
| 1992 - 93 -  |                        |         |         |                |         |         |               |         |         |
| 20 November  | 610.30                 | 532.80  | 585.00  | 647.60         | 543.90  | 613.70  | 547.10        | 377.00  | 469.90  |
| 19 February  | 610.10                 | 533.30  | 584.80  | 648.50         | 543.90  | 614.10  | 559.50        | 381.60  | 477.70  |
| 20 May   | 610.00                 | 543.70  | 589.00  | 645.10         | 557.10  | 617.20  | 565.50        | 385.30  | 484.50  |
| 1993 - 94 -  |                        |         |         |                |         |         |               |         |         |
| 20 August  | 631.00                 | 546.90  | 603.30  | 673.30         | 559.50  | 635.80  | 599.70        | 394.20  | 503.10  |
| 19 November  | 626.50                 | 543.20  | 599.40  | 667.10         | 554.90  | 630.70  | 583.50        | 386.70  | 492.50  |
| 18 February  | 619.90                 | 548.80  | 597.30  | 665.30         | 558.80  | 631.50  | 601.30        | 405.50  | 512.80  |
| 20 May   | 622.90                 | 551.40  | 599.80  | 664.30         | 567.10  | 632.90  | 595.80        | 399.80  | 504.80  |
| 1994 - 95 -  |                        |         |         |                |         |         |               |         |         |
| 19 August  | 628.20                 | 553.70  | 602.60  | 674.20         | 566.70  | 637.20  | 591.40        | 410.80  | 507.40  |
| 18 November  | 619.10                 | 558.00  | 598.60  | 667.50         | 572.80  | 635.70  | 586.90        | 410.20  | 505.10  |
| 17 February  | 648.40                 | 560.80  | 619.90  | 699.90         | 572.80  | 658.50  | 620.10        | 415.80  | 527.90  |
| PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM CORRESPONDING REFERENCE DATE IN PREVIOUS YEAR |                        |         |         |                |         |         |               |         |         |
| 1993 - 94 -  |                        |         |         |                |         |         |               |         |         |
| 19 November  | 2.7                    | 2.0     | 2.5     | 3.0            | 2.0     | 2.8     | 6.7           | 2.6     | 4.8     |
| 18 February  | 1.6                    | 2.9     | 2.1     | 2.6            | 2.7     | 2.8     | 7.5           | 6.3     | 7.3     |
| 20 May   | 2.1                    | 1.4     | 1.8     | 3.0            | 1.8     | 2.5     | 5.4           | 3.8     | 4.2     |
| 1994 - 95 -  |                        |         |         |                |         |         |               |         |         |
| 19 August  | -0.4                   | 1.2     | -0.1    | 0.1            | 1.3     | 0.2     | -1.4          | 4.2     | 0.9     |
| 18 November  | -1.2                   | 2.7     | -0.1    | 0.1            | 3.2     | 0.8     | 0.6           | 6.1     | 2.6     |
| 17 February  | 4.6                    | 2.2     | 3.8     | 5.2            | 2.5     | 4.3     | 3.1           | 2.5     | 2.9     |
| PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS REFERENCE DATE                       |                        |         |         |                |         |         |               |         |         |
| 1992 - 93 -  |                        |         |         |                |         |         |               |         |         |
| 19 February  | 0.0                    | 0.1     | 0.0     | 0.1            | 0.0     | 0.1     | 2.3           | 1.2     | 1.7     |
| 20 May   | 0.0                    | 2.0     | 0.7     | -0.5           | 2.4     | 0.5     | 1.1           | 1.0     | 1.4     |
| 1993 - 94 -  |                        |         |         |                |         |         |               |         |         |
| 20 August  | 3.4                    | 0.6     | 2.4     | 4.4            | 0.4     | 3.0     | 6.0           | 2.3     | 3.8     |
| 19 November  | -0.7                   | -0.7    | -0.6    | -0.9           | -0.8    | -0.8    | -2.7          | -1.9    | -2.1    |
| 18 February  | -1.1                   | 1.0     | -0.4    | -0.3           | 0.7     | 0.1     | 3.1           | 4.9     | 4.1     |
| 20 May   | 0.5                    | 0.5     | 0.4     | -0.2           | 1.5     | 0.2     | -0.9          | -1.4    | -1.6    |
| 1994 - 95 -  |                        |         |         |                |         |         |               |         |         |
| 19 August  | 0.9                    | 0.4     | 0.5     | 1.5            | -0.1    | 0.7     | -0.7          | 2.8     | 0.5     |
| 18 November  | -1.4                   | 0.8     | -0.7    | -1.0           | 1.1     | -0.2    | -0.8          | -0.1    | -0.5    |
| 17 February  | 4.7                    | 0.5     | 3.6     | 4.9            | 0.0     | 3.6     | 5.7           | 1.4     | 4.5     |

# **FINANCE COMMITMENTS** **South Australia**

| <i>Secured housing finance commitments to individuals</i> |                                 |                            |   |  |  |   |
|---|---------------------------------|----------------------------|---|--|--|---|
| <i>Construction and purchase of dwellings</i>             |                                 |                            |   |  |  |   |
| <i>Period</i>   | <i>Number of dwelling units</i> | <i>Amount (\$ million)</i> | <i>Alterations and additions (\$ million)</i> | <i>Personal finance commitments (\$ million)</i> | <i>Commercial finance commitments (\$ million)</i> | <i>Lease finance commitments (\$ million)</i> |
| <b>ANNUAL</b>   |                                 |                            |   |  |  |   |
| 1983-84   | 27,968                          | 894.0                      | 45.2  | n.a.   | n.a.   | n.a.  |
| 1984-85   | 28,484                          | 1,127.6                    | 48.2  | n.a.   | n.a.   | n.a.  |
| 1985-86   | 21,714                          | 920.1                      | 48.9  | 1,203.9  | 3,492.7  | 339.8   |
| 1986-87   | 21,658                          | 965.5                      | 47.1  | 1,222.4  | 4,242.8  | 334.5   |
| 1987-88   | 26,582                          | 1,266.6                    | 47.0  | 1,448.9  | 6,486.6  | 392.1   |
| 1988-89   | 29,977                          | 1,574.2                    | 51.4  | 1,534.1  | 7,285.5  | 512.4   |
| 1989-90   | 25,650                          | 1,438.2                    | 45.8  | 1,525.7  | 6,926.4  | 445.4   |
| 1990-91   | 28,694                          | 1,731.3                    | 58.8  | 1,503.6  | 6,257.0  | 323.2   |
| 1991-92   | 31,765                          | 2,083.8                    | 88.8  | 1,456.7  | 6,666.4  | 256.2   |
| 1992-93   | 36,960                          | 2,569.5                    | 102.8   | 1,656.8  | 5,122.4  | 249.5   |
| 1993-94   | 45,725                          | 3,387.9                    | 221.8   | 1,794.8  | 5,467.2  | 250.6   |
| <b>PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR</b>               |                                 |                            |   |  |  |   |
| 1984-85   | 1.8                             | 26.1                       | 6.6   | n.a.   | n.a.   | n.a.  |
| 1985-86   | -23.8                           | -18.4                      | 1.5   | n.a.   | n.a.   | n.a.  |
| 1986-87   | -0.3                            | 4.9                        | -3.7  | 1.5  | 21.5   | -1.6  |
| 1987-88   | 22.7                            | 31.2                       | -0.2  | 18.5   | 52.9   | 17.2  |
| 1988-89   | 12.8                            | 24.3                       | 9.4   | 5.9  | 12.3   | 30.7  |
| 1989-90   | -14.4                           | -8.6                       | -10.9   | -0.5   | -4.9   | -13.1   |
| 1990-91   | 11.9                            | 20.4                       | 28.4  | -1.4   | -9.7   | -27.4   |
| 1991-92   | 10.7                            | 20.4                       | 51.0  | -3.1   | 6.5  | -20.7   |
| 1992-93   | 16.4                            | 23.3                       | 15.8  | 13.7   | -23.2  | -2.6  |
| 1993-94   | 23.7                            | 31.9                       | 115.8   | 8.3  | 6.7  | 0.5   |
| <b>MONTHLY</b>  |                                 |                            |   |  |  |   |
| <i>1993 - 94 -</i>  |                                 |                            |   |  |  |   |
| December  | 3,976                           | 287.4                      | 18.4  | 161.9  | 392.5  | 17.2  |
| January   | 3,212                           | 226.0                      | 19.2  | 152.2  | 343.9  | 12.0  |
| February  | 4,093                           | 301.5                      | 20.0  | 146.7  | 400.0  | 17.2  |
| March   | 4,850                           | 375.1                      | 29.3  | 178.8  | 709.5  | 24.4  |
| April   | 3,702                           | 287.5                      | 22.6  | 140.0  | 466.1  | 17.7  |
| May   | 4,011                           | 310.7                      | 20.6  | 162.0  | 438.4  | 22.6  |
| June  | 4,086                           | 317.8                      | 19.9  | 167.8  | 595.3  | 36.1  |
| <i>1994 - 95 -</i>  |                                 |                            |   |  |  |   |
| July  | 3,419                           | 263.8                      | 20.6  | 164.3  | 432.6  | 26.5  |
| August  | 3,580                           | 276.2                      | 25.0  | 169.4  | 701.4  | 25.6  |
| September   | 3,209                           | 248.5                      | 17.5  | 169.5  | 361.3  | 24.5  |
| October   | 3,051                           | 234.0                      | 20.1  | 163.9  | 417.6  | 20.6  |
| November  | 3,228                           | 252.4                      | 20.9  | 188.3  | 493.2  | 19.7  |
| December  | 2,839                           | 220.6                      | 20.6  | 177.4  | 575.3  | 23.0  |
| January   | 2,643                           | 210.3                      | 15.6  | 162.2  | 348.7  | 21.4  |
| February  | 2,629                           | 215.4                      | 20.9  | 168.1  | 411.0  | 17.3  |
| March   | 3,227                           | 260.9                      | 21.3  | 204.9  | 464.8  | 20.8  |
| <b>PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS MONTH</b>              |                                 |                            |   |  |  |   |
| <i>1993 - 94 -</i>  |                                 |                            |   |  |  |   |
| January   | -19.2                           | -21.4                      | 4.3   | -6.0   | -12.4  | -30.3   |
| February  | 27.4                            | 33.4                       | 4.2   | -3.6   | 16.3   | 43.6  |
| March   | 18.5                            | 24.4                       | 46.5  | 21.9   | 77.4   | 41.9  |
| April   | -23.7                           | -23.4                      | -22.9   | -21.7  | -34.3  | -27.5   |
| May   | 8.3                             | 8.1                        | -8.8  | 15.7   | -5.9   | 27.7  |
| June  | 1.9                             | 2.3                        | -3.4  | 3.6  | 35.8   | 59.7  |
| <i>1994 - 95 -</i>  |                                 |                            |   |  |  |   |
| July  | -16.3                           | -17.0                      | 3.5   | -2.1   | -27.3  | -26.6   |
| August  | 4.7                             | 4.7                        | 21.4  | 3.1  | 62.1   | -3.4  |
| September   | -10.4                           | -10.0                      | -30.0   | 0.1  | -48.5  | -4.3  |
| October   | -4.9                            | -5.8                       | 14.9  | -3.3   | 15.6   | -16.0   |
| November  | 5.8                             | 7.9                        | 4.0   | 14.9   | 18.1   | -4.1  |
| December  | -12.1                           | -12.6                      | -1.4  | -5.8   | 16.6   | 16.5  |
| January   | -6.9                            | -4.7                       | -24.3   | -8.6   | -39.4  | -7.0  |
| February  | -0.5                            | 2.4                        | 34.0  | 3.6  | 17.9   | -19.1   |
| March   | 22.7                            | 21.1                       | 1.9   | 21.9   | 13.1   | 19.9  |

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